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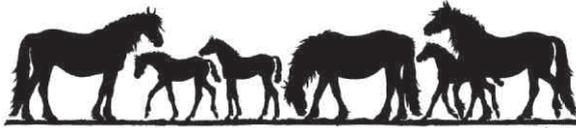
Photo: Brendan McGee Photography

*Endurance: Fiona Carradus and Lownthwaite Cameo. Fiona runs the FPS Endurance awards and won the 2018 highest pleasure distance award at 352km.*



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*Georgia Ellis and Harthouse Hillman won the Fancy Dress class at the Breed Show*



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## From Our President



It was a huge honour and a privilege to be nominated and elected as president of our society at the AGM in April, so thank you to everyone who voted for me.

My family have bred a great many quality Fell ponies with the Waverhead prefix and I have enjoyed being part of the Fell pony world for as long as I can remember. I was actively involved with showing, in-hand and ridden during the 70s, 80s and 90s and more recently I have supported the Society as a Council member and a judge. I am now looking forward to my two years as your president and I would like to thank our former president, Jean Ward, for being a very active president and providing lots of encouragement and support to everyone during her term of office.

I began my duties by presenting some of the trophies to the winners at the Stallion Show held in May. There was a good selection of quality ponies forward on the day and it is encouraging to see many new exhibitors. At the beginning of July I attended Skelton Show to watch our display team at work entertaining the crowds. I was impressed by their commentary and routine and all involved should be commended for their hard work. The number of venues that they attend goes up year on year so obviously they are doing something right.

The outbreak of Equine Influenza affected entries at many of the Cumbrian shows this summer and had an impact on our Breed Show held in August. Once again I was called into the ring to present some of the trophies. The most enjoyable part of my day was judging the Fancy Dress class. A lot of time and effort goes into preparing those outfits and our junior members should be encouraged to have some fun and take part.

Later in August I visited 'The Heritage of the Hill-Bred Fell pony' exhibition held at the Rheged Centre near Penrith. There was a fabulous display of photographs and films showing where our ponies live and what they are used for. Libby Robinson and her team should be praised for their hard work and dedication to the Fell pony.

I plan to attend the sale of ponies at J36 at the end of October so please come and introduce yourselves if you think I can help you in any way.

Barbara Bell

## Chairman's Report, Autumn 2019

This year I had the pleasure of judging the Breed Show in hand classes for the first time in over 20 years. Although vaccination requirements reduced the numbers slightly, mainly mares with foals, the quality was still there. Congratulations to all the winners and in particular to the Boutime stud, who joined the select few who have bred the Champion at both the Stallion and Breed Shows. What was especially pleasing was the strength in depth of the gelding classes. If the saying that you judge a breed by the quality of its geldings is true then the Fell Pony is in an excellent state. If you read Sue Millard's article in this issue you will see that the quantity is also encouraging.

Also in August I visited the excellent exhibition put on at the Rheged centre on the Heritage of the Hill-Bred Fell pony. Thanks go to Libby Robinson and all those who contributed the photographs, paintings and film footage. What I found especially interesting was the 25 year old film of the Heltondale ponies coming down from the fell to have their foals weaned. The mares moved with a freedom of action which has been lost by many in the ridden classes over these years. Why is an interesting question.

On a more sombre note the FPS has lost one of its most valued members this summer. Bob Charlton was a former President, Chairman, and the Society's only ever Vice President during the year that HRH the Duke of Edinburgh was President, a position that Bob held in high esteem. A true gentleman and one it was a pleasure to have known.

Peter Boustead

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## Editorial

Having moved the Autumn copy deadline back to 1st October, since last year, there seems to be slightly less pressure on editing all the items that have come in for the Magazine. I even had a day off from copyfitting yesterday to do a FPS school visit at Great Asby, with Graham and Elizabeth Parkin and a very patient Keldhead Rose.

Thank you to everyone who sends copy for the Magazine and especially to those show secretaries who take care to present show results in a simple format - it is very much appreciated, as it saves me a lot of swearing! If you need advice on how to prepare your material, I can send you details, so please email me.

It's nice to receive the occasional compliment on our twice-yearly magazine. People from other breed societies remark particularly on it being full of Fell pony news and results and articles, rather than stuffed with advertising. That's all due to YOU, our members and contributors, and especially our Press Officer, Claire Simpson. Thank you for sending what you do.

Copy deadline for the Spring 2020 issue will be 1st February. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sue Millard

## Secretary and Treasurer's Report

As I write this report we have moved into Autumn, and a very wet one it has been so far, though hopefully this will lead us into a dryer winter!

The Stallion Show & Breed Show were well supported by both exhibitors and spectators and South Cumbria Show also enjoyed a successful show. This was despite the equine flu outbreak that caused Council to make vaccination a condition of entry for the Breed Show, and the venue for South Cumbria stipulating that all exhibits must be vaccinated.

Thank you to everyone who helped in any way, to make these events a success. Please help if you can, particularly with show set up and clearing up afterwards - our team are not getting any younger, and help from some of our younger members would be much appreciated.

Thank you to all members who spend their spare time in promoting the Fell Pony.

The office has recently upgraded the computers to Windows 10, and with some teething problems - particularly with our newly leased printer, required for the printing of the passport pages in the required format - all seems to be running smoothly now.

The Society's Complaints & Disciplinary Procedure has recently been revised and there have been some recent changes to the FPS Showing Rules. Paper copies will be issued to new members and they can be viewed on the FPS website. If members wish to receive a paper copy then please send your request to the office with a SAE.

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

Many thanks also to the Horserace Betting Levy Board for receipt of the Rare Breeds grant; their continued support is very much appreciated.

Earlier in the year Council agreed that some of the funds received as donations are to be used to purchase a new office for the Society. We will keep you informed as and when there is any progress to report on this. Council also agreed to use donations for the voluntary DNA (not FIS) testing of filly foals born in 2020 in the UK. Please apply to the office in the new year if you are interested and for further details.

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

I would like to thank President, Barbara Bell, and Chairman, Peter Boustead, as well as Council, for their continued support; also thanks to my colleagues in the office - Chris, Carol who has returned temporarily, and Elizabeth.

Best wishes

Katherine Wilkinson

## From The Office

- Registration / Passport application forms cannot be downloaded from the website. They are only available by applying to the office or from Secretary at the Stallion and Breed Show and October sale. Do not photocopy the form. Please read the guidance notes carefully prior to completion of the forms. Any forms incomplete or incorrectly completed will be returned.
- The current Equine Identification regulations require the applications for foal passports to arrive with the Society within 6 months of birth or 30 November whichever is the later. However in addition to the above, FPS regulations require applications to be received by no later than 31 December (irrespective of age) or the application will be treated as late and will require late registration fees and confirmation of the sire and dam by DNA. Double fees may also apply if applications are received during December.
- Service Books / notifications of coverings online must be notified by 31 December in the year of covering; if not, then any resulting foal will have to be DNA typed to confirm the sire prior to registration.
- When completing stallion service certificates please complete all the details fully, including full name and registration number of stallion and mare and full dates of covering to include at least month and year. Month on its own with no year is unacceptable.
- Regulations which came into force on 1 October 2018 include a requirement that all horses are to be microchipped. If a horse does not have a microchip, there is a period of grace for owners to get their horse chipped. Owners have until 1 October 2020, and after that date it will be an offence to own a horse / pony without a microchip.
- When your vet implants a chip for the first time, the barcode label should be placed in the passport with the stamp and signature of the vet beside. The owner should either send the passport or a scanned copy of the passport to the Society as soon as possible so that the records can be updated.
- Council agreed some time ago that visitors to the office can only be accepted by appointment. The reason for this is for security and safety of the Society's employees; also interruptions during busy times can cause delays. Please do not take it personally if you are not invited into the office - everyone is treated the same.
- Alternatively, any Society business can be carried out by phone, email, or post, or left through the letter box at Bank House. Please do not make a special trip to Appleby without making an appointment first.

Katherine



## THE FELL PONY SOCIETY

### Fees & Charges

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

### Fell Pony Society Bank Details

Account name: The Fell Pony Society Limited.

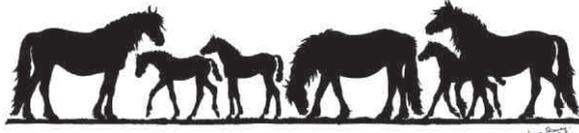
Bank: Lloyds, Penrith.

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

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

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



## THE FELL PONY SOCIETY

### Membership Fees

Type of Membership	UK	Overseas
Full	£25	£35
Associate*	£15	£25
Junior	£15	£25
Family** (couple and children)	£50	£65

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

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

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

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

### Membership Renewal

Society memberships fall due on 1 January annually.

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

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; or pay by bank transfer.



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### FPS Stallion Licensing

	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 DNA typed please apply to the office for appropriate fees.

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

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### FPS Member Directory & The FPS Sales List

**Listing in the Member Directory** on the web site is purely voluntary, and free. The Directory page is [http://www.fellponysociety.org.uk/member\\_dir.htm](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

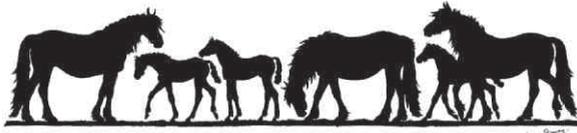
[http://www.fellponysociety.org.uk/sales\\_list.htm](http://www.fellponysociety.org.uk/sales_list.htm).

**THIS SERVICE IS FREE TO MEMBERS.** Each advertisement is shown for 3 months. The fee for non members is £10.

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

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

To use either of these services you can also e-mail the FPS Office, [secretary@fellponysociety.org.uk](mailto:secretary@fellponysociety.org.uk). The Society's electronic banking details are on page 10 of this magazine.



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

Registered Charity Number 1104945

Held at Orton Market Hall on Saturday 6 April 2019

The Chairman opened the meeting and explained the reasons for the proposed Special Resolutions:

## **ALTERATION TO THE DESCRIPTION OF THE FELL PONY**

*Special Resolution of the Articles of Association to amend Clause 18 to: Black, brown, bay and grey.*

*Chestnuts, piebalds and skewbalds will be registered in section X.*

*A star or white above lower eye level and white below nostrils and any white on the hind leg/h hoof is acceptable.*

*An excess of white markings is discouraged, ie a blaze or stripe, or white below lower eye level and above nostrils and / or any amount of white on a front hoof or leg, but such ponies are eligible for registration in section X.*

When put to the vote the majority of members voted in favour of the resolution, with 6 against and 5 abstentions.

The resolution was duly passed.

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## **The Edinburgh Prize for Driving**

The Prize is awarded internationally to a single or multiple turnout of registered Fell ponies, for achievement in Driving. Applicants should apply to the FPS Office in writing to include a paragraph stating why they think they should win the prize, and to include a photo. (The points award form should not be used to apply.) Applications need not necessarily involve showing but can be other driving experiences, and the 'achievement' need not necessarily be in the current year. All ponies must be registered Fell Ponies and the owner or the driver must be a member of The Fell Pony Society, of the Netherlands Fell Pony Society, or of an FPS-recognised Overseas Branch.

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

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

Registered Charity Number 1104945

Held at Orton Market Hall on Saturday 6 April 2019

Mr Boustead asked members to remember those no longer with us by observing a minute's silence: Mrs C Morland, Mr T Dobson, Dr M Sanderson, Mr D Trotter, Mr J Whittam, Mr B Pewter, Mrs D West, Mr G Hutton, Mr J Lowis, Mr G Jackson and Miss J Longsdon.

## **1 Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from: Mrs A Armstrong-Foxton, Mrs F & Miss L Awde, Mrs J Bateson, Mr P Bell, The Brown family, Mr I Brunskill, Miss G Callister, Mrs S Camp, Miss D Chadwick, The Charlton family, Mr James Cockbain, Mr John Cockbain & family, Miss R Dalton, Mr A & Mrs R Douglas, The Ellis Family, Mr M Goddard, Mrs J Hill, Mrs D Key, Mr M Lupton, Mrs C Morton, Mr G H Morton, Mrs M Murray, Miss J Patterson, Mr J Potter, Mrs P Randell, Mr R Relph-Briggs, Mr W Robinson, Mrs S Stewart, Mr D & Miss M Wilkinson, Mrs M Wilson, Mrs J Wood, and Miss E Woodruff.

## **2 Approval and adoption of Annual General Meeting Minutes of 7 April 2018**

Mr Boustead asked for a proposer and seconder for approval of the minutes published in the 2018 Autumn Magazine. Acceptance of the minutes was proposed by Mrs Eastwood and seconded by Mrs Rawden and approved by members.

## **3 Matters arising from the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 7 April 2018**

Mr Boustead reported that at the last AGM it was mentioned about the Lake District's World Heritage Site he reported that since then a representative had attended a Council meeting, it was agreed that they would help publicise the Fell pony. They are very supportive of the Fell pony, it is not just Herdwick Sheep that they are wanting to push in the Lake District and it was agreed that material could be sent through for inclusion/links on their website etc.

He reported that it was also discussed about damage by 4 x4s in the Lake District, which had been brought for discussion at the previous AGM. The FPS had displayed a link to a petition against damage by 4 x 4s. He encouraged members to have a look at it and give their support. The National Trust is now backing petitions and seeking a traffic regulation order to prevent further damage to the paths and tracks by 4 x 4s.

Mr Boustead also reported that recent discussions by Council on the use of the large donations generously given to the FPS. Council had agreed to vote on 7 proposals, the majority voted by far in favour of the purchase of an office or suitable premises for an office. Mr Boustead advised members that the current

office was the size of an average front room, so the purchase of a new office would be the way forward. The donations could be used towards other proposals if funds allowed. Miss Lightfoot asked what the other suggestions were. Mr Boustead advised members -

- i) Employ a 'Lower Case Fell Pony Advocate' (to promote Fell Ponies, 10 year term, salary £15k p.a)
- ii) Voluntary DNA test for Filly foals as a trial for 3 - 5 years
- iii) Purchase of Land
- iv) AI from selected stallions, approx. cost per stallion £5000
- v) Investment in bank / building society etc
- vi) Employment of a PR person

Mr Thompson asked Mr Boustead about the suggestions put forward by the FPBA. Mr Boustead said that the letter had not been received by Council in time to be included in the suggestions to be voted on.

Mr Thompson struggled to see how the purchase of an office would benefit the Fell pony, especially the hill bred ponies when these herds were under pressure from organisations.

Mr Boustead responded saying that a letter was received from the FPBA (after the proposals had been voted on) asking if the Council would contribute funds to help out the Potter family with the legal costs connected with the current court case of appeal. Mr Boustead said that Council were asked why a letter from Mr Cowings in support of Mr Potter was not read out at a Council meeting. Mr Boustead said that Council had taken legal advice on both matters as follows - the Society was advised that it would not be appropriate for it to be seen to comment on the Potter family case while legal proceedings were on going, it was therefore not appropriate for the council meeting to be used as a forum for individual members to express their views on that case. It was also said that the Society's memorandum and articles of association only allow the income and profits of the Society to be applied to promote in the specific objectives of the Society and this would not extend to the legal costs incurred by an individual member in relation to matters that were not directly concerned with the work of the Society.

Mr Thompson asked what the objectives of the Society are, Mr Boustead suggested that he looked in the M & A's, the point is here that by contributing to legal costs is not promoting the specific objectives of the Society. Mr Thompson said again how he struggled to see how the purchase of an office would benefit the Fell Pony, when visitors are not allowed without an appointment. Mr Boustead responded by saying that it would be of benefit to the members of the Society.

Mrs E Robinson said that it was most important to protect the ponies, the ponies must come first.

Ms Fairburn reported that other breeds had used donations to purchase/build a Society office.

Mr Thompson said that the funds could be better spent.

Mrs Brunskill said that the current office was not fit for purpose.

Mrs Slack said that the Secretary had to keep some merchandise and archive material at her home.

Mr Boustead said he could not see how the purchase of an office is in conflict of the idea of furthering the Fell Ponies; he asked Mr Thompson what he actually suggests, what he thinks the Society could do? Mr Thompson replied to put the ponies first. Mr Boustead asked how he suggested the Society could do that? Mr Thompson said that the hill Breeders are disappearing fast, breeders are under more and more pressure from Natural England, and landlords to remove the ponies from the fell. He couldn't see how Council are supporting these herds. Mr Boustead said that the Society had put someone in touch with graziers on Bampton and Kinniside. Mr Thompson said no one had been in touch, then agreed that Miss Willis had spoken to him.

Mrs Baxter pointed out that if a property was purchased then to consider the running costs. She also pointed out that RPA has decided that half of common land is no longer grazeable, and in the long term this could affect grazing of commons.

Mr Boustead said that there is support for keeping Fell ponies on the fell but the Society needs concrete suggestions of how they can be supported.

Mrs Brunskill said that the purchase of an office would be an investment.

Mrs Wordley asked whether other native breeds were having problems. She suggested that perhaps working with the other breeds would ensure strength in numbers. Also to work with the RBST. Mr Boustead agreed this was a good idea.

Mr Thompson asked if the letter from the FPBA regarding a young couple who had recently taken on a hill farm with grazing rights for ponies, had been received and dealt with. Mr Boustead said that it had been discussed at Council and the Secretary will be arranging a meeting with them after lambing to discuss how the Society may be able to help. Mr Boustead said this was not a proposal as to what to spend the donations on but how the Society could help.

Mrs Slack said that if money was given to one then would others also expect, would the Society then be obliged to give to anyone who asked? Mr Boustead said it was more advice that would be offered rather than money. Mrs Slack asked if as a Charity possibly the Society could not give money to individuals.

Mrs Hodgson said that if Filly foals were DNA typed then the Society could have a more accurate stud book. She asked if this suggestion could still be considered if there were funds available.

#### **4 Chairman's Report**

Mr Boustead reported that 2018 had been a successful year for Fell Ponies.

Greenholme Emblem was WHP M & M Champion at HOYS, particularly well done when the Fell often can't compete against the more agile breeds. The inaugural Search for a Star was won by Greenholme Falcon. Hill bred ponies were very much at the fore front of success. In the Fell & Dales ridden class at HOYS the Fells were placed 1st. 2nd & 3rd. From 2019 the Fell and Dales will have separate classes at HOYS with 10 qualified ponies in each.

Mr Boustead thanked Council for their backing and to all those members who supported the decisions to keep the Fell pony in its natural state in the show ring.

There have been requests to allow the plaiting of the forelock in WHP classes, and the use of a false tail which came off when in a high profile show ring; fairly stringent measures were taken against those concerned.

He thanked all those people who did things for the Society. He was a member of 7 societies and the FPS membership offered most to its members and is the cheapest. He was surprised at how much support there was for the Fell Pony through the various support groups throughout the country and how strong the Fell Pony is in Cornwall.

The Display Team clearly had the best stand at HOYS in 2018.

The twice a year magazine, professionally produced and all for £25/year membership, which is not bad!

Mr Boustead thanked the retiring president, Jean Ward. He referred to her report in the FPS magazine where she quoted “don’t ask what the Society does for you but what you can do for your Society”, and he suggested that maybe members should think a bit more along those lines.

He also thanked the ladies in the office, and Council, for their support over the past year.

## **5 Secretary/Treasurer’s Report**

The 2018 registrations were completed in January enabling the stud book to be edited and printed and available for sale today. Registrations are on the increase and it was pleasing to see again, in 2018, an increase in foals registered from the semi feral herds. We are still seeing a similar number of passports coming into the office to transfer ownership. The number of Society members remains static: over 900 members to date have paid for their 2019 membership with around 270 still current members but with outstanding subs for 2019. Just over 100 new members have joined the Society so far in 2019.

Mrs Wilkinson said she was delighted to pass on from the RBST “very well done.” They are pleased with the work that the Society does for the Fell Pony, which is reflected in the consistent membership and steady increase of numbers of foals bred.

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

Mrs Wilkinson reminded members to keep the Society updated with the following in relation to horse passports:

- i) Food Chain status
- ii) Microchip number
- iii) Ownership
- iv) Notification of death

It is a requirement under Horse Passport regulations for owners to ensure the passport is up to date and correct at all times.

The new regulations that came into force on 1 October 2018 include a requirement that all horses are microchipped. If a horse does not have a microchip, there is a period of grace until 1 October 2020.

The Horserace Betting Levy grant has been received for 2019 at the same level as last year and we are very grateful for this.

Mrs Wilkinson thanked all those members who have taken the time to complete and return an updated membership form, and asked, if members hadn't already, to please complete a form today.

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 to let the Secretary know as soon as possible. The visits will be arranged when Council meet in May.

There are lots of plans being made for Fell pony events throughout the country and the Display Team will be attending 6 events this year to promote the breed to the general public. Visits to some local schools in the Summer term are to be arranged, hopefully with a Fell pony, to talk to the pupils about the breed. Some of the schools that have expressed an interest have a particular project in which they would like to include the Fell pony.

The Society had made a profit in 2017/18 of £147,062 which includes a substantial bequest from the late Miss Carshaw of £150,000. Included in this is a legacy for the upkeep of her 2 Fell ponies. That aside, the accounts show a profit of around £3500.

Mrs Wilkinson thanked our Patron, Her Majesty The Queen, for her kind annual donation received recently together with her warmest wishes for the forthcoming year. The Society is also grateful to other donations received throughout the year together with continued support of sponsorship for the shows and continuing quarterly Royalties from the sale of the 'Carltonlima Emma' Breyer model.

Finally, Mrs Wilkinson thanked Council, for their continued support, Jean as President, and Chris, Elizabeth and Carol (who has recently come back to help during busy times) in the office.

## **6 Election of Council**

Mr Boustead announced that Mr Mallinson, Mr Metcalfe, Miss Simpson and Mr W S Potter had all been successfully re-elected to Council Mrs S Brunskill was unsuccessful and he thanked her for her interest in standing. He reminded those individuals who had stood for Council that they could ask to see the number of votes.

## **7 Election of President**

Mrs Walker and Mrs Ward collected voting papers and acted as counters

Mr Boustead congratulated Miss Bell on her election and thanked Mr Winder for his interest. He welcomed Miss Bell to attend Council meetings.

## **8 Adoption of Accounts for year ended 31 October 2018**

Adoption of the accounts was proposed by Mrs Millard, seconded by Mrs Brunskill and agreed by members.

## **9 Resolution to appoint Dodd & Co as Accountants to the Society**

The resolution was proposed by Mrs Slack, seconded by Miss Simpson and agreed by the members.

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

**Conservation Grazing** - Mrs Robinson reported that the group had not met recently however she had attended the AGM of the Federation of Cumbrian Commoners. The meeting had been interesting. There was discussion about RPA taking information from aerial photos which did not always portray the correct picture. If land had been declared incorrectly then graziers are encouraged to report it to RPA. There was also discussion about scrub allowing to regenerate when stock was removed. Mrs Robinson had also heard that in some areas an increase in stock was to be encouraged to assist with an increase in bird life.

**Judges Committee** - Mrs Rawden reported that 3 new judges had been approved to be added to the FPS Judges panel, Mr O Roberts, Mrs C Wigley and Miss H Reynolds. 2 new applications had been received for 2019. An assessment day at Inglewood EC has been arranged for 13 October.

**Show Committee** - Mrs Robinson reported that the Breed Show timetable had been totally changed. A financial incentive has been offered for ponies to take part in the Young Judges Class. There is no requirement for ponies to be flu vaccinated at either the Stallion Show or Breed Show but Mrs Robinson reminded exhibitors to be sensible.

**Display team** - The team had enjoyed a good 2018, with the highlight being at HOYS in October with a pony and promotions stand. The team had talked to many people and taken several new memberships. 6 events were planned for 2019, Country Fest, Skelton Show, Coniston Country Fair, Lowther, Blackcombe & Lowick. The team is always looking for new members to join them. The team puts on 2 different displays - Introducing the Fell Pony through the ages and a Musical Ride. The team now have a new mascot 'Nell The Fell' with associated merchandise; some items are on display today, feedback welcome.

**North Scotland SG** - Emily Cheetham reported that in 2018 members had enjoyed a visit to a Horse Sanctuary, a meet up at the Highland Show, Marys Fells' weekend in July and ended the year exhibiting at the Scottish Smallholders Festival in Angus. For 2019 the group is planning an educational driving day, lunch & visit to a Friesian Horse Stud.

**NWGS** - Mrs Wrigley reported that in 2018 the group had run a clinic with Julie Robinson, fully booked camp at Newton Rigg in July with Marys Fells event of Ponies, Prosecco and pizza; Alison O'Neill had given a talk. A pleasure ride, BBQ and Stud visit to Brackenbank, held in August; and Foal & Youngstock Show in November. In 2019 a successful clinic had already been held, with plans for Camp in July, a ride at Rawfoot, near Shap, and Foal & Youngstock Show at Inglewood EC in November. Membership of the group is not required and all the events are listed on the group's Facebook page.

**NESG** - Mrs Walker reported that the group continues to be active. Events started this year with Sunday lunch in February, which incorporated the presentation of awards for a points awards that were introduced in 2018. An M & M

dressage event was held in March in conjunction with the Highlands. An In hand showing study day for novices, has been arranged for 27 April by kind permission of Margaret Murray, nr Barnard Castle, places still available. In early May the hairy pony camp is to be held at the Linnels, the 6th year as a joint venture with the Highlands. In June/July/August a jumping course with a series of 3 lessons is to be held. This year the usual Performance Trials will be replaced by a combined training event on 29 September, venue and further details to be confirmed.

**MESG** - Mrs Rawden reported that the highlight of 2018 had been a visit to the Museum of the Horse which covered 2000 years. Members had already enjoyed an awards evening. Planned events for 2019 include a First Aid Course, Sandringham Show on 18 May to include the Bewcastle Boy Blue Qualifier. Gotham Shows to be held on 26 May and 14 July, open to Fells and friends. Southern Show on 8 September with judges Mr Goddard, Mrs Crane, Miss Paterson, to be held at Berkshire College (exhibitors' ponies must be flu vaccinated).

**South Scotland SG** - Ms Fairburn reported that the group has been invited to trec training over the winter, the next trec training will be combined with dressage training and informal stock judging September/October to be hosted by Vyv Wood-Gee.

## 11 Any Other Business

Mr Boustead reported that there had been some questions received from members prior to the AGM.

### 1) from Judy Hill

“The Society gives space in the Bi-annual magazine to the Area Support Groups, though only 3 out of 8 bothered this Spring, also the Display Team & Fell pony Heritage centre etc.

Could the Council/Editor invite The Fell Pony Breeders Association to contribute a report on their activities? After all good breeding practice is the future of our ponies.”

REPLY - The magazine editor always welcomes articles for the magazine.

### 2) anonymous

“I would like to request that the Fell Pony Society leads the other native breed societies by example by reaffirming the breed standard to all show judges and top level showing committees and competitors. The issue as reported with the false tail falling out only goes to highlight the tricks used in the showing world to enhance a pony beyond what is natural. I am concerned at what example this shows to people new to the breed thinking ‘this is what you have to do to win’. I have heard from several sources (inc. professional producers, riders and even judges) that the practice of false hair in manes and tails, blackening of legs, straightening of hair and the new one to me - using ear plugs, is common place in the showing world. What’s happened to the Fell Pony being shown in its natural state?”

REPLY - The NPS has recently sent out information to their judges. At a recent BSPS Judges Conference, photographs of a good and bad example of a Fell pony were provided. Both Societies are very supportive of the FPS rules.

The FPS will continue to hold judges refresher training with an emphasis on showing rules and consider issuing interim fact sheets to draw attention to the 'tricks' that are used by some to enhance their pony for the show ring. The Society will also look into the use of videos and power point presentations to show judges what they should be looking for, these can be critical without identifying the owner/pony.

There was some discussion regarding the HOYS rules and how the Society dealt with the false tail issue, and Mr Boustead answered questions.

Mr Thompson addressed the Chair. He reported that his wife had received a letter on behalf of Council. He read out the letter to members. Mr Thompson went on to say that he believed that this was one of 2 letters of concern sent at that time, (the one he had read out related to an alleged incident at the Breed Show and the other relating to an incident at the FPS Sale). He added that he strongly denied that the alleged incident at the Breed Show, referred to in the letter, actually took place, and went on to ask what the process was at the Council meeting with regard to the allegations. Mr Boustead responded to say that he wasn't aware that the person involved was named until a solicitor's letter was received by the Society. Mr Thompson said that they responded through a solicitor. He again asked what process was followed by Council resulting in the issue of a letter to Mrs Thompson. Mr Boustead said that without checking the minutes he presumed that the matter was discussed and Council agreed that a letter to be sent about the abusive conduct. Mr Thompson then went on to advise members the process followed by Council (from a copy of the Council minutes, dated 9 January 2018). Mr Thompson said that an allegation had been made but the FPS Complaints procedure was not followed. They had responded through a solicitor and had waited 14 months to receive answers from Council regarding the allegations, which did not happen.

Mr Boustead said that the matter was being dealt with through solicitors and was not for discussion at an open meeting. Mr Thompson responded by saying that it was for open discussion; he had tried for 14 months to get answers. Mr Boustead said the Society's solicitor was still waiting for a reply from the Thompson's solicitor. He again said that he was not prepared to discuss it in an open meeting and that if Mr Thompson had not raised the matter today then he was sure at least 90% of those present would not have known anything about it.

Mr Thompson said that his wife had still not been given the opportunity to respond to the allegations.

Mrs Thompson spoke to say she did not do what Council had referred to in the letter sent February 2018.

Mr Thorpe said that Council could not discuss the matter once it was in the hands of a solicitor and asked why did they not speak to Council before going to a solicitor. Mr Thompson said that they chose to go to a solicitor because they knew it would be ignored.

Mr Thompson said that all they wanted to know was who made the allegations and exactly what they were and why Council had not followed the Complaints Procedure?

Mr Boustead said that it was not a complaint but simply a cause for concern to Council, abuse towards voluntary members. No one was actually named or discussed at the Council meeting.

Mr Boustead said that it was not appropriate to discuss the matter further. A letter was sent to the Thompsons' solicitor months ago and there still had not been a reply to it.

A member stated this is the AGM, and asked, what is the AGM for? The AGM is a platform for members to raise their concerns.

Mrs Wood-Gee said that it was inappropriate to discuss it, however she said that she was a volunteer on the gate and because of the abuse received by more than one person she would not be offering to do it again.

A member asked if the meeting could be moved on.

Another member said to Mr Thompson, You have been asked to sit down.

Mr Boustead asked Mr Thompson again to sit down and that the meeting would move on.

Mrs Millard reported that the annual reports and accounts were still awaited from the 3 Overseas Branches, FPSNA, American Conservancy & the Danish. FPSNA had requested an extension to 1 June as they are still trying to recruit a treasurer. The Overseas Committee checked out the FPSNA awards scheme following complaints received and found that all was in order. France is in need of a new contact person. The committee is still in touch with the contact person for Belgium.

## **12 Presentation of Awards**

Mrs Robinson and Mrs Ward presented the Youngstock & Performance Awards and Endurance Awards.

Mr Boustead presented 'The Queen's Trophy' to Vyv Wood-Gee.

The Lownthwaite Rob Trophy was awarded to Kerbeck Night Whisper, owned by Christine Robinson.

The Edinburgh Prize was presented to Sarah Bartlett for her pony, Waverhead Bombadere.

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

2nd Lunesdale

3rd Greenholme

4th Townend

5th Bracklinn

6th Severnvale

Mr Boustead invited everyone to have refreshments before drawing the raffle, and closed the meeting.

## Referral Committee Finding

A Referral Committee was appointed under the Society's Complaints and Disciplinary Procedure to consider a number of related complaints by Mr and Mrs D C Thompson (Drybarrows Fell ponies) against the Council.

The complaints related to the sending of a letter by Council admonishing Mrs Gail Thompson for allegedly aggressive and rude behaviour at the Breed Show in August 2017 and the way in which Council had subsequently dealt with the matter.

The Committee dismissed the complaints against individual Council Members but upheld the complaints against the Council. It found that by sending the letter to Mrs Thompson, Council either failed to interpret correctly the FPS Complaints & Disciplinary procedure as requiring allegations of offensive or abusive or unpleasant behaviour to be dealt with as a disciplinary matter in which case they could not have proceeded against Mrs Thompson (because no written objection or complaint had been made), or in the alternative, Council failed to follow the basic tenet of the rules of natural justice in the way it purported to deal with the matter. The Committee also found that this failure directly contributed to some legal financial costs incurred by Mrs Thompson and also personal distress.

The Committee imposed a Reprimand on Council for these actions. It also recommended (1) that Council write a letter of apology to Mrs Thompson withdrawing the allegation and apologising for any distress caused and this be published alongside the finding; (2) that the Complaints & Disciplinary procedure be revised to remove any ambiguity and reduce scope for future errors; and (3) that the Society reimburse part of Mr and Mrs Thompson's legal costs.

### Apology to Mr David & Mrs Gail Thompson

The FPS Council formally apologises to Mr David Thompson and Mrs Gail Thompson for the way it handled an alleged incident at the 2017 Breed Show about which it had received a verbal report. It accepts the Finding of a Referral Committee dated 1 July 2019 which was formed to consider Mr and Mrs Thompson's subsequent complaint which had been submitted on 24 April 2019.

Council accepts that it should not have written an accusatory letter to Mrs Gail Thompson on 1 February 2018. In so doing Council failed to appreciate that the Society's disciplinary procedure should have been followed or at the very least it should have dealt with the matter in a fair and just way. It now accepts that it did not.

Council sincerely regrets that it subsequently failed to resolve the matter which then became a protracted dispute involving legal representation.

Council unreservedly withdraws any allegations against Mrs Gail Thompson. It also recognises that its handling of the matter and the accusations that it made must have caused Mrs Thompson considerable distress and financial cost and it further apologises for this and intends to abide by the recommendation of the Referral Committee to reimburse the reasonable legal costs incurred.

Council wishes to emphasise that it places great importance on the valuable role that all members of the Society play through their support as owners, competitors, and volunteers, including the vital role of breeders such as the Thompsons with their Drybarrows Fell Pony herd. It wishes that the Society can go forward in the spirit of friendship to maintain and support the national asset that is the Fell Pony.

## Bob Charlton, 1938 - 2019

Ponies have been bred at the Linnels and Linnel Wood by Charltons for five generations. Bob was the fourth generation of 'R.B. Charltons' to live at the Linnels and during his lifetime, he continued to act as custodian of the Linnels and the Linnel pony bloodlines, like his father Roy, grandpa Roy and great-grandfather Robert (known as Grump). He was immensely proud of his heritage and it gave him great joy to be the guardian of such an important part of the history of native ponies.



*Bob and his father Roy at NPS Roehampton in 1948,  
on Linnel Mountain Maid and Linnel Sandpiper.*

During his childhood, he hunted with the Haydon and pony-clubbed with the South Northumberland on a little grey Welsh pony called 'Plum Pudding' during which time he quickly developed a good seat, a keen eye and an almost reckless courage. He began to successfully show Fell ponies from an early age, sweeping the board frequently at shows such as The Royal Show, Ponies of Britain and the NPS Championships at Roehampton at a time when the luxury of a horse box was unimaginable - imagine taking your ponies on the train from Newcastle to Kings Cross, then leading them through central London overnight for an early morning class!

Although best known as a supporter of the Fell pony, Bob's passion spread to all areas of the equine world. He was a truly natural horseman, and in spite of a crashing fall out hunting that almost took his life and left him with his trademark one eye instead of two, Bob could climb on almost anything, from Fell ponies to hunters, point-to pointers to eventers, and make it look easy.

In 1989, on the death of his father Roy, Bob and Sarah were left with a depleted stud; one old stallion, a gelding and two old mares - Linnel Romany Boy, Linnel Mozart, Linnel Connie and Linnel Marie. From this point, together they worked hard to rebuild and cultivate old bloodlines and re-establish the stud from Linnel Wood.



*Bob at his final judging appointment in 2014 at the Native Pony Festival, awarding Gillian McMurray and Trailtrow Tanera the Supreme Championship.*

With the support of Sarah, Bob's enthusiasm for all fields of the equine world really blossomed and his CV grew exponentially. From that time, Bob was MFH to the Haydon Foxhounds, DC of the South Northumberland Branch of the Pony Club, a keen supporter of the local point-to-points as Clerk of the Scales, and he was a Council member, Chairman and President of the Fell Pony Society. Furthermore, he and Sarah hosted and ran Hexham Horse Trials, Riding for the Disabled, Hexham Native Horse and Pony Show, the Fell Pony Performance Trials and numerous other events from Linnel Wood, including 'Hairy Pony Camp', and this was all alongside breeding and producing ponies to show and compete across the country.

Bob loved to talk and was well known for it, but more importantly he was a kind listener. As a result, he became a valued sounding board and source of advice and information, as well as a much loved mentor and friend to many people across the country and the world. Like his Grandpa Roy, he was an ardent supporter of educating the young and nurturing the next generation, and their wisdom and knowledge can be found between the pages of *A Lifetime With Ponies*, first published in 1944 before being edited and reprinted by Bob in 2003. In his introduction to the new edition, Bob wrote, 'breeders are often not the producers but they are the foundation, and their instinctive skill and knowledge, which is not in the books, is fundamental. It is bred in the man as well as the animal.' This sentiment could not be more appropriate. In this, although he did it unknowingly and humbly, he wrote not only of his forbears and his contemporaries, he wrote of himself. He was a born and bred pony man, and his extraordinary breadth of interests and engagement with every aspect of the horse world, both its ponies and its people, is what gave Bob so much pleasure and is undoubtedly his greatest legacy.

Jenny Charlton

## Carole Morland

It is with heavy hearts that we communicate the passing away of Carole Morland, a well respected and popular person known to many of you for the shared passion of ponies. Carole was indeed a lover of all things equine, but also had many other talents and accomplishments in her life. Known by her friends for an incredibly sharp wit, she was always good fun to be around. A mother of two, she mixed early motherhood with performing in a 1960's music band, working, and running a trekking school.

She later followed her passion for horses, training, driving and riding trotters. Included in her vast trophy cupboard is the UK Women's Grass Track Champion of Harness Racing, which she won in the 1980s.



She was an avid reader of books, and indeed published two of her own, proceeds of which went to charities. The first of them was the story of her father's plight in the Second World War Normandy landings, during which he survived horrific burns. The book documents his subsequent fight against post traumatic stress syndrome which at the time was not recognised. The proceeds of the book went to the 'Help for Heroes' charity.

Her subsequent book was based upon her experience of Fell Ponies, in particular the semi feral herd of Lunesdale ponies. From this herd, she and her husband Bert Morland bred a long list of Championship winning ponies, many of which have been exported internationally. Her love of ponies led to her training to be a judge along with Bert. This led to them travelling extensively in Europe and as far as Australia as invited judges.

Having fought against two cancers five years ago, her everyday life became much more difficult. It did not however stop Carole carrying on with her work with breeding, and her daily involvement with ponies. The lasting effects of her fight with cancer are what led to her untimely death in Carlisle hospital 23rd January 2019.

Proceeds of her book 'A Walk On The Wild Side' along with donations from the funeral were donated to cancer research, which was her wish. Her funeral was attended by people from as far afield as the United States. Her love and passion for horses had created a long list of friends and contacts throughout the world. She will be sadly missed by many.

Mark and Brian Steadman



## THE FELL PONY SOCIETY

### Council Elections 2020

The following members retire from Council in 2020 and are eligible for re-election:

Mrs A Bell, Mrs S Charlton, Mrs G Cockbain, Mr M Goddard

### Nominations for Council 2020 - Reminder

Members wishing to make a nomination for Council should obtain a form from the Office in good time to return the completed form before the deadline of 1st January 2020.

### Postal Voting for Council Members

Ballot papers will be sent out with the Spring Magazine to those eligible to vote. Completed ballot papers have to be returned to the Scrutineer appointed by the Council not less than 10 days before the date of the AGM. No member is entitled to vote in the election for Council if his/her subscription to the Society has not been paid by 15th February 2020. You will find the details on Votes of Members under Section 7 of the Articles of Association. Election to the Council is Section 8.6.

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

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### The Lownthwaite Rob Trophy

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

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

# Horserace Betting Levy Board Grant Payment Summary

<b>Mare premium: Foals born 2016</b>		<b>Endurance</b>	
Number of Breeders	81	Owner	£50.00
Number of Mares 202 @	£15.00	Breeder	£50.00
Payment Total	£3,030.00		
<b>Fell Pony Society Points Scheme 2017: Payments awarded 2018</b>		<b>Dressage</b>	
		Owner	£50.00
		Breeder	£50.00
<b>4 Year Old+ Performance</b>		<b>Driving</b>	
Owner	£50.00	Owner	£50.00
Breeder	£50.00	Breeder	£50.00
Dam Breeder	£50.00		
Sire Breeder	£50.00		
<b>4 Year Old+ In Hand</b>		<b>Stallion Premium</b>	
Owner	£50.00	Owner	£50.00
Breeder	£50.00	Breeder	£50.00
Dam Breeder	£50.00		
Sire Breeder	£50.00		
<b>3 Year Old</b>		<b>Mare Premium</b>	
Owner	£50.00	Owner	£50.00
Breeder	£50.00	Breeder	£50.00
Dam Breeder	£50.00		
Sire Breeder	£50.00		
<b>2 Year Old</b>		<b>2017 Yearling Colts</b>	
Owner	£50.00		£150.00
Breeder	£50.00	<b>2017 Three Year Olds</b>	
Dam Breeder	£50.00		£25.00
Sire Breeder	£50.00	<b>2017 Stallion Premiums</b>	
			£175.00
<b>Yearling</b>		<b>2017 Mare premiums</b>	
Owner	£50.00		£100.00
Breeder	£50.00	<b>Venue Hire</b>	
Dam Breeder	£50.00	Judges clinic	£80.00
Sire Breeder	£50.00	Printing of Stud Book, contribution	
			£207.00
		Maintaining Pedeweb database	
			£388.00
<b>Foal</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>£5,855.00</b>
Owner	£50.00		
Breeder	£50.00		
Dam Breeder	£50.00		
Sire Breeder	£50.00		

# Dorset Fell & Dales Show,

## 5 May 2019

This year we were celebrating our tenth running of the show and it was nice to welcome back Alison Torode, who judged our first show. It was a shame that we were down on entries this year. At one point I really thought we wouldn't have enough ponies entered to run the show. We only had three Dales ponies entered (the same as last year) and due to various reasons none of them made it on the day.

Although not a heat wave like last year, the weather was sunny and dry making for pleasant conditions for showing. As usual the In Hand classes had more entries, but it was pleasing that there were more ridden entries than in past years.

Despite entries being down it was lovely to welcome back some regulars and really nice to welcome some new faces. I hope those who came for the first time had a good time and will come back next year.

Our Dressage entries also were poor with only three entries, well done to those who had a go.

This was the first year that a class for 2 & 3 yr old colts was included. The 1st and 2nd placed ponies, along with the 1st and 2nd places of the youngstock class gave us a championship for the youngstock sponsored by Lydvale Fell ponies. Champion Lychfields Dennis The Menace & Reserve Bewcastle Blencathra

The In Hand champion Bracklinn Crosbie - Reserve Lychfields Dennis the Menace.

Ridden Champion Summerhouse Grete - Reserve Lownthwaite Ottoman

Supreme Champion Bracklinn Crosbie - Reserve Summerhouse Greta.

Full results are available on the website [www.dorsetfellshow.co.uk](http://www.dorsetfellshow.co.uk)

Thank you to everyone involved with this year's show, especially our sponsors. Without them we wouldn't be able to run the show.

Our photographer was Jamie Rose, and a link to the pictures is on our website.

A special thanks to my helpers on the day:

Diana McGrail who, as her pony was lame, came instead to help in the tent.

Janet & Georgina Blair who came with the FPS merchandise.

Chrissie Davenport who sold raffle tickets.

Pam Cox who was our ring steward. I hope you all enjoyed your goodie bags.

All ponies entered again took home a Horslyx mini lick, and I hope they all enjoyed them. There also should be some lovely clean ponies as prizes were shampoo for 1st, sponge and scraper for 2nd.

I hope everyone had a lovely time and I hope to see you all next year.

The 2020 show will be held at a new venue - Moreton Equestrian Centre, Dorchester on 3rd May 2020. This is our usual weekend except that the bank holiday has been moved to the following Friday.

Sharron Camp

### RESULTS

#### CLASS 1 Fell Stallions 4yrs and over.

- 1st Bracklinn Crosbie, FP71606C\*, 2010, s,  
S: Bracklinn Jackpot D: Bybeck Emerald.  
Breeder: Mrs E Smith Owner: Mark Cornthwaite
- 2nd Darrenvale Revolution, FP71575C\*, 2009, s,  
S: Darrenvale Warrior D: Townend Russet.  
Breeder: Mr & Mrs R Sutcliffe Owner: Lady Catherine Fuller

#### CLASS 2 Fell Mares 4yrs and over.

- 1st Kalmara Fantasia, FP6208, 2015, m,  
S: Townend Midnight D: Greenholme Fancy II. Breeder: Miss K L Hodge Owner: Karen Hodge
- 2nd Richmond Cara, FP5531, 2011, m,  
S: Bluecaps Marcus D: Llancloudy Jezebel  
Breeder: Mrs S M Petritz Owner: Sue Petritz
- 3rd Wellbrow Crystal, FP5045\*, 2009, m, S:  
Heltondale Mountain Mist II D: Wellbrow Jade. Breeder: Mr Andrew Thorpe Owner: Anne Peters

#### CLASS 3 Fell Geldings 4yrs and over

- 1st Fairlawn Oliver, FP71090G, 2007, g,  
S: Border Black Prince D: Lowmoat Rebecca.  
Breeder: Miss R Tuffin & Mrs C Atterbury  
Owner: Alison Jewell
- 2nd Llancloudy Moonstone, FP51141G, 2000, g,  
S: Goytvalley Magic Minstrel D: Drybarrows Lilly. Breeder: Mr K A Feakins Owner: Gerri- Ellen Stockley
- 3rd Lownthwaite Ottoman, FP70053G, 2002, g,  
S: Peepings Raven D: Lownthwaite Otto  
Again. Breeder: Mrs S C Morton Owner: Miss Amber Carling

- CLASS 5 Fell Youngstock, yearlings, 2 & 3 year old Filly or Gelding.**
- 1st Bewcastle Blencathra, FP6400, 2017, f,  
S: Townend Valour D: Drybarrows Enya.  
Breeder: Mr R C Goddard Owner: Mr R Goddard
- 2nd Kalmara Felicity, FP6295, 2016, f,  
S: Townend Midnight D: Greenholme Fancy II. Breeder: Miss K L Hodge Owner: Karen Hodge
- 3rd Richmond Grace, FP6221, 2016, f,  
S: Severnvale Ivor D: Llancloudy Jezebel.  
Breeder: Mrs S M Petritz Owner: Sue Petritz
- CLASS 6 Fell Youngstock, Colts aged 2 or 3**
- 1st Lychfields Dennis The Menace, FP72758C\*, 2017, c, S: Fairlawn Dominic D: Wellbrow Crystal. Breeder: Mrs E M Schwarzin Owner: Mrs E M Schwarzin
- 2nd Drybarrows Cosmopolitan, FP72863C\*, 2017, c, S: Carrock I'm Yer Man D: Drybarrows Fern. Breeder: Mr D C Thompson Owner: Mark Cornthwaite
- CLASS 8 Fell Veterans 15yrs and over.**
- 1st Llancloudy Moonstone, FP51141G, 2000, g,  
S: Goytvalley Magic Minstrel D: Drybarrows Lilly. Breeder: Mr K A Feakins Owner: Gerri- Ellen Stockley
- 2nd Lownthwaite Ottoman, FP70053G, 2002, g,  
S: Peepings Raven D: Lownthwaite Otto Again. Breeder: Mrs S C Morton Owner: Miss Amber Carling
- CLASS 10 Potential driving pony.**
- 1st Wellbrow Crystal, FP5045\*, 2009, m,  
S: Heltondale Mountain Mist II D: Wellbrow Jade. Breeder: Mr Andrew Thorpe Owner: Anne Peters
- CLASS 12 Fell Stallions - Ridden**
- 1st Darrenvale Revolution, FP71575C\*, 2009, s,  
S: Darrenvale Warrior D: Townend Russet. Breeder: Mr & Mrs R Sutcliffe Owner: Lady Catherine Fuller
- CLASS 13 Fell Mares - Ridden**
- 1st Summerhouse Greta, FP5652, 2012, m,  
S: Underwoods Gideon D: Rulewater Lucy. Breeder: Mr Peter Boustead Owner: Kirsty Budd
- CLASS 14 Fell Geldings - Ridden**
- 1st Lownthwaite Ottoman, FP70053G, 2002, g,  
S: Peepings Raven D: Lownthwaite Otto Again. Breeder: Mrs S C Morton Owner: Miss Amber Carling
- 2nd Llancloudy Moonstone, FP51141G, 2000, g,  
S: Goytvalley Magic Minstrel D: Drybarrows Lilly. Breeder: Mr K A Feakins Owner: Gerri- Ellen Stockley
- 3rd Fairlawn Oliver, FP71090G, 2007, g,  
S: Border Black Prince D: Lowmoat Rebecca. Breeder: Miss R Tuffin & Mrs C Atterbury Owner: Alison Jewell
- CLASS 16 Fell Veterans 15yrs and over - Ridden**
- 1st Lownthwaite Ottoman, FP70053G, 2002, g,  
S: Peepings Raven D: Lownthwaite Otto Again. Breeder: Mrs S C Morton Owner: Miss Amber Carling
- 2nd Llancloudy Moonstone, FP51141G, 2000, g,  
S: Goytvalley Magic Minstrel D: Drybarrows Lilly. Breeder: Mr K A Feakins Owner: Gerri- Ellen Stockley
- CLASS 18 Fell Stallions and Geldings Traditional Ridden**
- 1st Darrenvale Revolution, FP71575C\*, 2009, s,  
S: Darrenvale Warrior D: Townend Russet. Breeder: Mr & Mrs R Sutcliffe Owner: Lady Catherine Fuller
- 2nd Fairlawn Oliver, FP71090G, 2007, g,  
S: Border Black Prince D: Lowmoat Rebecca. Breeder: Miss R Tuffin & Mrs C Atterbury Owner: Alison Jewell
- CLASS 19 Fell Mares Traditional Ridden**
- 1st Summerhouse Greta, FP5652, 2012, m,  
S: Underwoods Gideon D: Rulewater Lucy. Breeder: Mr Peter Boustead Owner: Kirsty Budd
- CLASS 20 Walk and Trot Dressage 2019**
- 1st Summerhouse Greta, FP5652, 2012, m,  
S: Underwoods Gideon D: Rulewater Lucy. Breeder: Mr Peter Boustead Owner: Kirsty Budd
- CLASS 21 BD Intro C/BD Prelim14**
- 1st Lownthwaite Ottoman, FP70053G, 2002, g,  
S: Peepings Raven D: Lownthwaite Otto Again. Breeder: Mrs S C Morton Owner: Miss Amber Carling
- 2nd Lownthwaite Ottoman, FP70053G, 2002, g,  
S: Peepings Raven D: Lownthwaite Otto Again. Breeder: Mrs S C Morton Owner: Miss Amber Carling
- Inter Area SW Representative**  
Lychfields Dennis The Menace
- Fell Youngstock Champion** Lychfields Dennis The Menace
- Reserve Bewcastle Blencathra**
- Fell In Hand Champion** Bracklinn Crosbie.
- Reserve Lychfields Dennis The Menace.**
- Fell Ridden Champion** Summerhouse Greta.
- Reserve Lownthwaite Ottoman.**
- Fell Supreme Champion** Bracklinn Crosbie.
- Reserve Summerhouse Greta.**



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*Stallion Show Supreme Champion, Lunesdale Black Ice II (Lunesdale Beckham x Greenholme Keely), bred by Bert and the late Carole Morland, and shown by Katie Raine, seen here receiving the Lady Yule Cup from FPS President, Barbara Bell.*

## Stallion & Colt Show, 11 May 2019

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. A very wet night and sharp showers failed to dampen spirits and the ponies gleamed in the glorious sunshine that followed.

Judge Beverley Hodgson was very pleased with the quality of the ponies forward and chose Lunesdale Black Ice II (Lunesdale Beckham x Greenholme Keely), bred by Bert and the late Carole Morland, as her supreme champion. Skilfully shown by Katie Raine, the eleven-year-old, who has previously taken the supreme at the show in 2016, 2018 and 2019, caught Beverley's eye from the outset with his excellent movement and breed type. Black Ice II also won the class for the best foot.

John Potter was 'super-proud' to take the reserve championship with the ten-year-old Greenholme Diego (Greenholme Look At Me x

Greenholme What Do U Think), another good mover, who had been living a very natural Fell pony life and had not been shown for eight years.

The youngstock championship went to the two-year-old Drybarrows Cosmopolitan (Carrock l'm Yer Man x Drybarrows Fern), bred by David Thompson and owned by M. Cornthwaite. Reserve went to Russell Sutcliffe's homebred yearling Darrenvale Targaryen (Darrenvale Fire Fox x Dalehead Dolly).

Greenholme Hot Rod (Greenholme Diego x Greenholme White Rose), a six-year-old, bred by the Potter family and a son of the reserve supreme, also impressed the judge with his great movement and true Fell pony type to take the class for ridden geldings and the gelding in hand championship for Nicola Chippendale.

Lizzie James showed the bay four-year-old Murthwaite TBC (Wellbrow Lancashire Lad x Murthwaite Alice), to take the reserve.

The winner of the class for ridden stallions was Anna Metcalfe from the Ryehouse show team with another pony with fabulous action, Banksgate Oh Boy (Banksgate Johnny Doran x



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*John Potter took the reserve championship with the ten-year-old Greenholme Diego (Greenholme Look At Me x Greenholme What Do U Think)*

Carrock Penny), a four-year-old that looks set for an exciting show career.

Other class winners included Rob Relph-Briggs with his home-bred three-year-old colt Birkettbank Master John (Greenholme Elect x Carrock Princess), taking the class for three and four year olds; Miss Younger who won the gelding youngstock class with Wellbrow Kingston (Heltondale Mountain Mist II x Wellbrow Polly Flinders); and Gilly Chippendale from who won the driving class with Stenerskeugh Smoke (Lunesdale Tarquin x Stenerskeugh Bethany).

Grateful thanks to our new Show Secretary, Judy Fairburn, who in turn was very keen to acknowledge the massive contribution made by all the volunteers who so generously give their time to make the show as success, and a lot of whose work is unseen by the competitors, from setting up, taking down and ensuring that everything runs smoothly, but often seeing very little of the show classes themselves.

Thank you Everybody!

Claire Simpson

## RESULTS

### Class 1. Yearling

- 1st Darrenvale Targaryen, FP72895C, f2018. Owner & Breeder, Mr & Mrs R Sutcliffe
- 2nd Dalewin Victor, FP72927C, f2018. Owner K Raine, Breeder Mr E Winder
- 3rd Drybarrows Dynasty, FP73040C, f2018. Owner & Breeder Mr D C Thompson

### Class 2 Two Year Olds

- 1st Drybarrows Cosmopolitan, FP72863C\*, f2017, Lic FP896. Owner Mr M Cornthwaite, Breeder Mr D C Thompson
- 2nd Stenerskeugh Monty, FP72855C, f2017. Owner Mr A W Morland, Breeder Mr R N Beaty
- 3rd Greenholme Larry, FP72769C\*, f2017, Lic FP893. Owner Mr G Richardson, Breeder Mr W S Potter

### Class 3 Geldings 2 & 3 Years Old

- 1st Wellbrow Kingston, FP72798G, f2017. Owner Miss M L Younger, Breeder Mr A Thorpe
- 2nd Greenholme Kingsmark, FP72647G, f2016. Owner Miss B A Potter, Breeder Misses R J & B K Potter

#### **Class 4 Licensed Stallions 3 & 4 Years Old**

- 1st Birkettbank Master John, FP72675C\*,f2016, Lic FP858. Owner R Relph-Briggs,Breeder E M Whittam & R Relph-Briggs
- 2nd Bankgate Oh Boy, FP72570C\*,f2015, Lic FP825. Owner Mrs B Metcalfe & Mrs B J Robinson, Breeder Mr & Mrs A Ashcroft
- 3rd Summerhouse Gatsby, FP72649C\*,f2016,Lic FP861. Owner Miss S J York, Breeder Mr P Boustead

#### **Class 5 Geldings 4 Years Old & Over**

- 1st Greenholme Hot Rod, FP72249G\*,f2013. Owner Mrs N Chippendale, Breeder Miss R J & B K Potter
- 2nd Murthwaite TBC, FP72474G, f2015. Owner Mrs S E James, Breeder The Late Mr T B Capstick
- 3rd Murthwaite Tonka Toy FP71391G, f2009. Owner Mrs E H Robinson, Breeder The Late Mr T B Capstick

#### **Class 6 Licensed Stallions 5 Years & Over**

- 1st Lunesdale Black Ice II, FP71130C\*,f2008, Lic FP588. Owner Miss K Raine, Breeder Mr A W & The Late Mrs C A Morland
- 2nd Greenholme Diego,FP71371C,f2009,Lic FP617. Owner & Breeder Miss R J Potter
- 3rd Bracklinn Crosbie, FP71606C\*,f2010,Lic FP810. Owner Mr M Cornthwaite, Breeder Mrs E Smith

#### **Class 7 Riding Class For Geldings, 4 Years & Over, To Be Shown Under Saddle**

- 1st Greenholme Hot Rod, FP72249G\*,f2013. Owner Mrs N Chippendale, Breeder Miss R J & B K Potter

#### **Class 8 Riding Class For Licensed Stallions, 4 Years & Over, To Be Shown Under Saddle**

- 1st Bankgate Oh Boy, FP72570C\*,f2015, Lic FP825. Owner Mrs B Metcalfe & Mrs B J Robinson, Breeder Mr & Mrs A Ashcroft
- 2nd Setmabanning Danny Boy, FP72384C\*,f2014,Lic FP797. Owner Miss S J Howarth, Breeder The Late Mr G L Hutton
- 3rd Lunesdale Black Ice II, FP71130C\*,f2008, Lic FP588. Owner Miss K Raine, Breeder Mr A W & The Late Mrs C A Morland

#### **Class 9 Licensed Stallion Or Gelding, 4 Years & Over, To Be Shown In Harness**

- 1st Stennerskeugh Smoke, FP70691G\*,f2005. Owner Mrs G Chippendale, Breeder Mr R N Beaty
- 2nd Murthwaite Tonka Toy FP71391G, f2009. Owner Mrs E H Robinson, Breeder The Late Mr T B Capstick

#### **Class 10 Colt, Stallion Or Gelding Any Age, With Best Set Of Feet, Shod/Unshod**

- 1st Lunesdale Black Ice II, FP71130C\*,f2008, Lic FP588. Owner Miss K Raine, Breeder Mr A W & The Late Mrs C A Morland
- 2nd Greenholme Hot Rod, FP72249G\*,f2013. Owner Mrs N Chippendale, Breeder Miss R J & B K Potter
- 3rd Stennerskeugh Smoke, FP70691G\*,f2005. Owner Mrs G Chippendale, Breeder Mr R N Beaty

**Youngstock Champion  
Drybarrows Cosmopolitan  
Youngstock Reserve  
Darrenvale Targaryen  
Gelding Champion  
Greenholme Hot Rod  
Gelding Reserve Murthwaite TBC  
The Storm Boy Trophy For The Oldest  
Stallion  
Wellbrow Compo**

**Supreme Champion Stallion  
Lunesdale Black Ice II  
Reserve Champion Stallion  
Greenholme Diego**

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**Sandringham Fell, Dales,  
Exmoor and Friends Show,  
18 May 2019**

The show has been held in various forms and venues since 2003, originally just for Fells and Friends. The first show at Sandringham was in 2006 and we joined forces with Dales Pony Area 9 soon after. In 2013 and 2014 we held classes in conjunction HPEC for Registered Highland ponies. In 2017 the Eastern Exmoor group joined us for the first time and the number of Exmoor ponies forward has slightly increased over the last two years. To keep the show moving forward we need you all to spread the word, Sandringham is a lovely friendly show held in a beautiful setting and befits entries from more of our lovely native ponies. We always have a Fell panel judge and it's your chance to show in a relaxed setting with lots of classes to choose from.



*Townend Kirstin and Lindsey Walton, Champion of Champions at the Sandringham Show*

This year's show was held on Saturday 18th May in the park surrounding Sandringham House by kind permission of HM The Queen. The show was well supported in spite of the stringent flu vaccination restrictions which we had to adhere to due to the close proximity of the Royal Stud.

There were 17 Fell ponies forward for the morning's in hand classes judged by Christine Robinson.

The youngstock class had the highest number of entries for several years which gives us hope for future shows. The winner was Drybarrows Dissident, a yearling colt owned by Penny Walster and second place was awarded to Leanne Kerry's 3 year old gelding Bankwood Archibold.

There were no stallion entries this year.

The in hand mare class was won by Lindsey Walton's Townend Kirstin with Skye Dixon and Burnhead Ebony in second place.

Bracklinn Glayva was the in hand gelding winner with Nicola Dixon's Inglegarth Olympic placed second.

Jane Rawden and Samantha Audley's Glayva was then judged to be in hand Champion and he also took the Bewcastle Boy Blue Inter Area qualifier, with Drybarrows Dissident as Reserve Champion.

The ridden class entries in the afternoon were smaller in number but just as strongly contested.

Townend Kirstin and Lindsey Walton were ridden Champions with Jane Rawden and Murthwaite Looks Promising standing Reserve Champion.

The Supreme Fell Championship was awarded to Townend Kirstin. Lindsey has owned the 10 year old mare by Heltondale Bonzo Boy out of Townend Erin for two and a half years and her dream is to qualify for HOYS in the coming years. Lindsey says, "Because of Kit's willingness and positive attitude, she is a pleasure to work with and gives me so much joy."

The Working Hunter Pony classes were well supported with mixed entries of Fell, Dales, Exmoor and Friends in each section. The 45cm and 60cm classes were both won by Holly Bland on Cheshirefells Black Beauty who then went on to be crowned Champion WHP.

There were two Fells in the Intro dressage with Townend Kirstin coming second and Bracklinn Glayva placed fourth. Townend Kirstin was also second in the Prelim class.

Throughout the day farrier Richard Spence was kept busy judging the best shod and best trimmed foot on behalf of the Worshipful

Company of Farriers. He selected ponies from each of the ridden classes but the eventual winners were both Fell ponies. The best shod was Murthwaite Looks Promising and best trimmed Townend Kirstin.

The culmination of the day as always was the Champion of Champions judging and the difficult decision about best in show was deliberated over by the judges from both rings. They had four ponies forward, the Supreme Champion from each section-Fell, Dales, Exmoor and Friends.

The accolade, and Murthwaite Need2Roam Trophy, went to Lindsey Walton and Townend Kirstin.

Our beautiful rosettes and sashes were made again this year by Kate Scorey-Sayer (Sashes by Kate) who as always did us proud with her creations and continued sponsorship in the form of the Champion of Champions sash, rosette and trophy.

Thank you to everyone who supported us in this difficult year with our decision to go ahead despite the flu restrictions. Without our hard working committee, judges, volunteers, sponsors and competitors there would be no show.

In order to keep the show on the road we really need more volunteers to help with setting up and taking down the showground next year. Please keep up to date with what's happening on our FaceBook page: Sandringham Fell, Dales, Exmoor and Friends Show Group.

We look forward to seeing you all next year on Saturday 30th May 2020.

## RESULTS

**Judge: Mrs Christine Robinson**

### Fell Youngstock

1. Penny Walster's Drybarrows Dissident
2. Leanne Kerry's Bankwood Archibold
3. Katie Saberton's Bybeck Solomon
4. Hannah Broughton's Thistlebank Kipper
5. Penny Walster's Greenrivers Moonshine (handler Nathalie Lycke)
6. Gaynor Wareham's Hillhead Port Ellen

### Fell stallions in hand

No entries

### Fell Mares in hand

1. Lindsey Walton's Townend Kirstin
2. Skye Dixon's Burnhead Ebony
3. Victoria Moore's Summerhouse Nancy



Jean Bateson

*Penny Walster and Drybarrows Dissident, Sandringham Show Youngstock Champion.*

### **Fell Geldings in hand**

1. Jane Rawden's Bracklinn Glayva
2. Nicola Dixon's Inglegarth Olympic

### **Ridden Fell**

1. Townend Kirstin
2. Jane Rawden and Murthwaite Looks Promising
3. Helen Nelson and Brackenthwaite Bonnie
4. Holly Bland and Cheshirefells Black Beauty
5. Summerhouse Nancy

### **Traditional Walk and Trot**

1. Brackenthwaite Bonnie

### **Working Hunter very novice**

1. Cheshirefells Black Beauty
2. (Cob)
3. Summerhouse Nancy
4. (Friend)
5. (Connemara)

### **Working Hunter Novice**

1. Cheshirefells Black Beauty
2. (Dales)
3. (Connemara)
4. (Cob)
5. (Haflinger)
6. (Cob)

### **Intro B Dressage**

1. (Welshx)
2. Townend Kirstin
3. (Dales)
4. Bracklinn Glayva
5. (Exmoor)
6. (Cob)

### **Prelim 4 Dressage**

1. (Welsh D)
2. Townend Kirstin
3. (Exmoor)
4. (Dales)

### **Novice 27 Dressage**

No Fell entries

### **Youngstock Championship**

#### **Champion**

#### **Drybarrows Dissident**

#### **Reserve (Dales)**

### **In hand Championship**

#### **Champion**

#### **Bracklinn Glayva**

#### **Reserve**

#### **Drybarrows Dissident**

### **Bewcastle Boy Blue winner**

#### **Bracklinn Glayva**

### **Ridden Championship**

#### **Champion**

#### **Townend Kirstin**

#### **Reserve**

### **Murthwaite Looks Promising**

### **Supreme Championship**

#### **Champion**

#### **Townend Kirstin**

#### **Reserve**

#### **Bracklinn Glayva**

### **Champion of Champions and Murthwaite**

### **Need2Roam Memorial Trophy winner**

### **(chosen from all Supreme Champions)**

### **Lindsey Walton's Townend Kirstin**

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## **Performance Show at Linnel Wood Cancelled**

There had been so much rain at Hexham in the last few days of preparations before 29th September that Sarah Charlton and family had to cancel the Performance Show that was to be held in memory of Bob Charlton.

They would have been unable to park anyone up on the wet ground, and the forecast was horrid (and turned out to be correct). All entrants were e-mailed and, to prevent spectators wasting a journey, notices were posted on the FPS web site and Facebook page.



Rachael Leach

*Line-up of the Open Ridden Fell Pony classes at the Cumbria Fell and Dales Show, left to right: Banksgate Oh Boy, owned by Beverley Metcalfe from Killington Lake, ridden by Bethan Lewis of Orton; Raisbeck Calico, owned & ridden by Annabelle Rawlinson of Flitholme; Deepgyhll Lucky Touch, owned and ridden by Gillian Ridding of Kendal; Greenholme Dec owned by Bev Metcalfe and ridden by Sophie Jones of Hutton John.*

## Cumbria Fell and Dales Show, 2nd June 2019

The last Cumbria Fell & Dales Pony Show was held on Sunday 2nd June in its usual Show field at Penrith kindly loaned by the Jenkinson family. The Show has run for 10 years and organisers Hilary Fawcett of Kirkby Stephen and Ellen Jones of Hutton John have decided to call it a day.

Penny Randell, Glenis Cockbain and Judith Williamson judged Fell Pony In Hand, Ridden and Working Hunter Classes. Fell Pony entries were up on last year, especially in the Working Hunter section. Penny Randell found both her In Hand Champion and Reserve in the Youngstock Class. Matthew Fearon from Grange In Borrowdale came out on top with his own home bred two year old Setmabanning Melody with David Thompson Reserve with his own homebred yearling Drybarrows Dynasty. Both ponies are bred and kept on the Fells. Melody lives on the fells at Threlkeld and Dynasty lives on the fells at Haweswater.

Glenis Cockbain had some decent Classes in the Fell Pony Ridden section. The Fell Pony Ridden Champion was Bev Metcalfe's four year old Banksgate Oh Boy from Kirkby Lonsdale ridden by Bethan Lewis from Orton who won both the Picton Novice and Dargavel Young Open Pony Classes. Reserve to Oh Boy was Deepgyhll Lucky Touch, owned by Gillian Ridding from

Kendal and ridden in the Championship by her daughter, Isabella Ridding. Oh Boy is bred by Elyned Ashcroft from Stainmore and Lucky Touch is bred by Courtney Savage from Plumpton.

Judith Williamson from Ulverston found her Fell Pony Working Hunter Pony Champion in Stacey Longrigg's Conway Carole's Legacy from Appleby who won the 60cm Novice Class. Reserve to Stacey was Susan Chappelhow with Peepings Aragon who won the NPS Novice Class.

Banksgate Oh Boy came out Supreme Fell Pony Champion with Setmabanning Melody Reserve Supreme. All three Fell Pony judges agreed on their choice unanimously so it was a clear decision.

Hilary Fawcett and Ellen Jones thank everyone for their support. Cumbria Fell & Dales Show would not have run without the many Judges and stewards and helpers that have volunteered over the years. None of the Shows would have been possible without the generosity of the Jenkinson family who kindly loaned their field every year and the kind sponsorship of PARAGON veterinary Group who helped with the rosette bill every year.

Ellen Jones

## South Cumbria Show,

8 June 2019

A ten-year-old mare taken for a 'ride round' stunned her owner by taking the overall supreme championship at the FPS South Cumbria Show. It was a 'fabulous and emotional' day for Juliet Huddleston, whose homebred ponies took both the supreme and reserve supreme accolades, having taken the championships in both the in-hand and the ridden rings. What a marvellous achievement for Juliet who has only bred four ponies under her Rosefell prefix; and testament to the quality of her ponies that the two ten-year olds, both by Murthwaite Mr Right, took two championships on the same day under two different judges.

Supreme champion was the mare Rosefell Moll's Doll, who having enjoyed her 'ride round' was then entered in the in-hand mare class and

swept the board under judge Alison Bell, whose eye she caught from the outset.

Reserve supreme and ridden champion was Rosefell T Reg after claiming the open gelding/stallion ridden class with Alex Robinson. Ridden judge, Claire Wigley, described her champion as 'a very good type with true Fell pony action' and said that he had been 'a pleasure to watch'. She was also very impressed with her reserve, Izzy Ridding, aged 12, with the eight year old, Deepghyll Lucky Touch, who she described as 'a fantastic sort who looked after his small jockey and performed well all day'; adding that this pair are definitely 'ones to watch for the future'.

Greenholme Dillon and Monika Indrova, winners of both the intermediate and open classes, took the championship in the working hunter pony section under judge Julia Mitchell; Dillon a.k.a. Bob, was one of several ponies purchased through the annual FPS Sale that won



Claire Simpson

*Reserve supreme and ridden champion at South Cumbria Show was Rosefell T Reg ridden by Alex Robinson. Ridden judge, Claire Wigley, was also very impressed with her reserve, Izzy Ridding, aged 12, riding Deepghyll Lucky Touch.*



Claire Simpson

*South Cumbria Show WHP champion Greenholme Dillon and Monika Indrova*

classes during the day. Izzy Ridding and Deepghyll Lucky Touch collected another red rosette in the novice WHP class and took the reserve championship.

The popular traditional ridden class was split due to the number of ponies entered; and the winner of the mare class was Amy Kinsella with the lovely Brackenbank Flicka; Anna Metcalfe won the gelding/stallion section with Greenholme Guardsman, an eye-catching grey, who appeared to be well-named as he marched around the ring.

The novice class went to Alex Robinson with the seven-year-old Bracklinn Sam, an unexpected souvenir that his owner accidentally, but happily, purchased on a short holiday in Aberdeenshire. The open ridden mare class went to the successful bay mare Brocklebank Pimms No 1 ridden by Anna Metcalfe. The class for juniors under 14 years and the junior ridden championship went to Izzy Ridding with Deepghyll Lucky Touch; Breige Hutchinson (15) and Dalefoot Fern, winners of the 15-18 years class, took the junior reserve. Other winners in the ridden ring included Jane Brain who took the best turned out with Hardendale High Society; and it was also lovely to see the RDA and dressage star, Brackenbank Flash Harry turning his hoof to showing.

In the in-hand ring Charlotte Wilson won the yearling class with Greenholme Mayflower and Christine Sigurnjak took the veteran class with the stallion Wellbrow Compo. Lizzie James had

wins with Firbank Rockstar and Murthwaite TBC in the two-year-old and gelding/stallion over 4-year-old respectively.

Many thanks to the Metcalfe/Robinson family and their merry band of helpers who have created a super-friendly show with classes for all, including a fun dog show for all the canine visitors... and a mega raffle, with so many super-duper prizes that it has become an event and attraction in itself!

Claire Simpson

## RESULTS

### RING 1 RIDDEN CLASSES

#### **Class 1 Best Turned Out Pony & Rider**

- 1st Hardendale High Society, FP5983, f2014, Owner & Rider, Mrs J Brain
- 2nd Meres Jemima III, FP5377, f2010, Owner Mrs J A Barton, Rider Miss V Barton

#### **Class 2 Traditional Ridden, Walk & Trot Only (a) Mares**

- 1st Brackenbank Flicka, FP5890, f2013, Owner & Rider, Miss A Kinsella,
- 2nd Townend Elfin, FP5880, f2013, Owner & Rider Mrs K Wilson
- 3rd Hardendale High Society, FP5983, f2014, Owner & Rider, Mrs J Brain

#### **Class 2 Traditional Ridden, Walk & Trot Only (b) Geldings & Stallions**

- 1st Greenholme Guardsman, FP72043G, f2012 Owner Mr P Metcalfe, Rider Miss A Metcalfe

2nd Deepghyll Lucky Touch, FP71831G, f2011, Owner & Rider, Mrs G Ridding

3rd Bracklinn Sam, FP72131G, f2012, Owner Miss C Simpson, Rider Miss A Robinson

**Class 3 Novice Ridden Mare, Gelding or Stallion**

1st Bracklinn Sam, FP72131G, f2012, Owner Miss C Simpson, Rider Miss A Robinson

2nd Brackenbank Flash Harry, FP71155G\*, f2008, Owner Mrs G Wordley, Rider Miss E Morey

3rd Townend Elfin, FP5880, f2013, Owner & Rider Mrs K Wilson

**Class 5 Junior Ridden, 14 years and under, Mare or Gelding**

1st Deepghyll Lucky Touch, FP71831G, f2011, Owner Mrs G Ridding, Rider Miss I Ridding, Age 12 yrs

**Class 6 Junior Ridden, 15-18 years, Stallion, Mare or Gelding**

1st Dalefoot Fern, FP5026, f2009, Rider Miss B Hutchinson, Age 15 yrs

**Class 7 Open Ridden Mare**

1st Brocklebank Pimms No1, FP5550, f2011, Owner & Rider Miss H M Stewart

2nd Brackenbank Flicka, FP5890, f2013, Owner & Rider, Miss A Kinsella,

3rd Meres Jemima III, FP5377, f2010, Owner Mrs J A Barton, Rider Miss V Barton

**Class 8 Open Ridden Gelding or Stallion**

1st Rosefell T Reg, FP71503G, f2009, Owner Mrs J Huddleston, Rider Miss A Robinson

2nd Deepghyll Lucky Touch, FP71831G, f2011, Owner Mrs G Ridding, Rider Miss I Ridding, Age 12 yrs

3rd Brackenbank Flash Harry, FP71155G\*, f2008, Owner Mrs G Wordley, Rider Miss E Morey

**RING 2 IN HAND CLASSES**

**Class 9 Brood Mare 4 Years Old or over with foal at foot**

No Entries

**Class 10 Foal**

No Entries

**Class 11 Yearling Colt, Filly or Gelding**

1st Greenholme Mayflower, FP6578, f2018, Owner Mrs C R Wilson

2nd Rackwood Aurora, FP6510, f2018, Owner Mrs E A Walker

3rd Norton Towers Johnny, FP72921C, f2018, Owner A & F Blenkarn

**Class 12 Two Year Old Colt, Filly or Gelding**

1st Firbank Rockstar, FP6433\*, f2017, Owner Mrs SE James

2nd Setmabanning Melody FP6459, f2017, Owner Mr M Fearon

**Class 13 Three Year Old Colt, Filly or Gelding**

No Entries

**Class 14 Mare 4 years Old or over without foal at foot**

1st Rosefell Moll's Doll, FP5114, f2009, Owner Mrs J Huddleston

2nd Llanerchbrook Nutmeg FP6129, f2015, Owner Miss H M Stewart

3rd Brocklebank Pimms No1, FP5550, f2011, Owner Miss H M Stewart

**Class 15 Gelding or Stallion 4 Years Old or over**

1st Murthwaite TBC, FP72474G, f2015. Owner Mrs S E James

2nd Greenholme Dec, FP71413G, f2009, Owner Mr P Metcalfe

3rd Murthwaite Sunshine Mountain, FP72459G, f2015, Owners Ms P Montgomery & Mrs M Williamson

**Class 16 Veteran Stallion, Mare or Gelding 15 Years or over not to be shown in any other in hand class**

1st Wellbrow Compo, FP51021C\*, f1999, Owner Mrs C M Sigurnjak

**Class 17 Young Handlers**

No Entries

**Class 18 Novice WHP**

1st Deepghyll Lucky Touch, FP71831G, f2011, Owner Mrs G Ridding, Rider Miss I Ridding

2nd Rosefell T Reg, FP71503G, f2009, Owner Mrs J Huddleston, Rider Miss A Robinson

3rd Greenholme Heidi, FP5866, f2013, Owner & Rider Miss H Faulkner

**Class 19 Intermediate WHP**

1st Greenholme Dillon, FP71412G, f2009, Owner Miss C Simpson, Rider M Indrova

2nd Dalefoot Fern, FP5026, f2009, Rider Miss B Hutchinson

**Class 20 Open WHP**

1st Greenholme Dillon, FP71412G, f2009, Owner Miss C Simpson, Rider M Indrova

**In Hand Championship  
Champion**

**Rosefell Moll's Doll**

**Reserve Llanerchbrook Nutmeg**

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**Junior Ridden Championship  
Champion  
Deepghyll Lucky Touch  
Reserve, Dalefoot Fern**

**Ridden Championship  
Champion  
Rosefell T Reg  
Reserve, Deepghyll Lucky Touch**

**WHP Championship  
Champion  
Greenholme Dillon  
Reserve, Deepghyll Lucky Touch**

**Supreme Championship  
Champion  
Rosefell Moll's Doll  
Reserve, Rosefell T Reg**

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## **Derbyshire Fell and Dales Pony Show, 23 June 2019, Barleyfields Equestrian Centre**

Despite earlier concerns over the wet weather preceding this year's show, several sunny days leading up to the show ensured that all of the showing classes were able to run on grass. Although entry numbers were down on last year's bumper entry, Fell Pony judge Mr Colin Turner had a good selection of quality ponies forward from which to make his selections.

The in hand section commenced with the yearlings class with Hillhead Port Ellen bred by Helen Gallagher, owned and exhibited by Gaynor Wareham taking first place. The two year olds class was won by Boutime Esther bred and exhibited by Deb Vychinski. Hot on her heels was her sister, Boutime Mary now owned and exhibited by Diane Key. Boutime Esther went on to take the young stock championship with Mary taking the reserve championship.

The geld mare class concluded with a win for Mark Gallagher with Hillhead Whiskey and with Helen Gallagher's Hillhead Emma II taking second place. In a strong gelding class another

Hillhead pony emerged victorious with a win for Hillhead Horace who also went on to take the veteran in hand class for owner Heidi Saxon Bland.

New for this year was the re-introduction of several group classes. The stallion progeny class was won by three of Boutime Wooster's offspring namely Boutime Esther, Boutime Mary and Laura Hopkin's Amberbrook Tequila.

In the stud prefix class the Boutime ponies were again in winning form against a strong contingent of Hillhead ponies in the form of Whiskey, Emma, Horace and Port Ellen.

The in-hand classes concluded with Boutime Esther taking the inter group Bewcastle Boy Blue qualifier with Hillhead Whiskey and Mark Gallagher taking the reserve spot. The adult in hand championship was also taken by Hillhead Whiskey with Hillhead Emma II taking reserve.

Next in the ring was the sole entry for the driving class, Raisbeck Cappuccino expertly driven as ever by Linda Wiggan.

The afternoon ridden classes commenced with the first season under saddle, with a win for Wendy Gallin's Littletree Dizzy Rascal. The second very competitive novice ridden class (ponies not to have won £10 or two first placings) was won with a strong ridden show by Nicola Brierley and Dalewin Kingpin.

The intermediate ridden class provided a win for Chestermann Dandy and Sonyarisa Duckhouse. The always popular traditional walk and trot class saw another win for Dalewin Kingpin. In the open ridden class, Hillhead Horace and Heidi Saxon Bland were in winning form also taking the ridden veteran class. In the ridden championship top honours went to Chestermann Dandy and Sonyarisa Duckhouse with Hillhead Horace and Heidi Saxon reserve.

Fell Ponies were also busy competing in both the dressage and working hunter pony classes. In the dressage section judged by Joanne Wainwright, Wendy Gallin and Littletree Dizzy Rascal won the Intro A test while Jane Rawden and Murthwaite Looks Promising had an impressive outing winning both the Prelim 7 and Novice 24 Tests. Murthwaite Looks Promising, Chestermann Dandy, Drybarrows Tim II and Dalewin Kingpin also took home tickets for the NPS Supreme Dressage finals to be held at Addington Manor Equestrian Centre, Addington, Buckinghamshire, in April 2020.

Fell ponies were prominent in the working hunter line ups judged by Jill Graham (Keybroyd). The novice class was won by

Summerhouse Nancy ridden by Victoria Moore, with the open a repeat of last year's result being won by Chestermann Dandy and Sonyarisa Duckhouse who went on to win the working hunter pony championship with Jane Rawden and Murthwaite Looks Promising in the reserve slot.

The show concluded with Boutime Esther taking home the Mary Longsdon Memorial Cup as Supreme Champion. Esther has had a super season so far with a championship win at Royal Windsor.

Reserve supreme was Sonyarisa Duckhouse with her stalwart Chestermann Dandy, a pairing who are also having a very successful season.

Once again it was both an honour and a privilege to have been involved with such a super friendly show with competitors supporting each other both in and out of the ring, always smiling and encouraging each other. It was so nice to see spectators joining in the friendly rivalry and banter between the Boutime and Hillhead teams during the Group classes. Mary Longsdon would have approved and would have probably summed the show up with her customary remark "What Fun!"

Full show results are available from our Group web site [www.westmids-fellponies.org.uk](http://www.westmids-fellponies.org.uk)

Diane Key

## RESULTS

### Fell Entries - Judge Mr Colin Turner

#### Class 1 Stallions

Sponsored by Bewcastle Fell Ponies  
No entries

#### Class 2 Yearling Colt, Filly or Gelding

Sponsored by Hillhead Fell Ponies  
1st 101 HILLHEAD PORT ELLEN FP6513 1 Year  
Sire: Linnel Ridder FP50520C\*  
Dam: Hillhead Emma II FP4531  
Breeder: Mrs H J Gallagher  
Exhibitor: Mrs G Wareham, Bishops Stortford,  
Hertfordshire

2nd 102 AMBERBROOK TEQUILA FP72883C 1 Year  
Sire: Boutime Wooster FP71820C\*  
Dam: Rackwood Jubilee Joy FP5678  
Breeder & Exhibitor: Miss L Hopkins, Heanor,  
Derbyshire

3rd 103 LOWNTHWAITE SCOUNDREL FP72914G 1  
Year  
Sire: Townend Pirate FP71868C\*  
Dam: Lownthwaite Escalla FP4797  
Breeder: Mrs S C Morton  
Exhibitor: Ms G Mallinson, Epperstone, Notts

Class 3 Two Year Old Colt, Filly or Gelding  
Sponsored by Mrs Jane Rawden  
1st 105 BOUTIME ESTHER FP6374 2 Years  
Sire: Boutime Wooster FP71820C\*  
Dam: Sleddale Rosebud FP3894  
Breeder & Exhibitor: Mrs D Vychinski, Little  
Longstone, Derbyshire  
2nd 104 BOUTIME MARY FP6373 2 Years  
Sire: Boutime Wooster FP71820C\*  
Dam: Bracklinn Martha FP5747  
Breeder: Mrs D Vychinski  
Exhibitor: Mrs D M Key, Seighford, Stafford

**Class 4 Three Year Old Filly or Gelding**  
Sponsored by Sarah Alexander Jones. No Entries.

#### Class 5 Mares without foal at foot, 4 years and over

Sponsored by The Little Longstone Fell Group  
1st 108 HILLHEAD WHISKEY FP6039 5 Years  
Sire: Murthwaite Wanted Man FP71082C\*  
Dam: Greenholme Fingers FP3087\*  
Breeder: Mrs H J Gallagher  
Exhibitor: Mr M Gallagher, Baldersdale  
2nd 107 HILLHEAD EMMA II FP4531 13 Years  
Sire: Murthwaite Black Bobby FP50558G\*  
Dam: Hillhead Jean FP2585  
Breeder: The Late Mr L Stewart  
Exhibitor: Mrs H J Gallagher, Baldersdale.  
3rd 106 STUNSTEAD TREACLE FP6006 5 Years  
Sire: Wellbrow Leo FP50513C\*  
Dam: Rundales Queen Elley FP5271  
Breeder: Mr G Richardson  
Exhibitor: Mr J Dyson, N. Warwickshire

**Class 6 Mare with foal at foot**  
Sponsored by Shepparton Fell Ponies  
No Entries

**Class 7 Foal**  
Sponsored by Mrs Diane Key  
No Entries

**Class 8 Geldings, 4 years and over**  
Sponsored by Karen Bennett in memory of Jean Jackson  
1st 113 HILLHEAD HORACE FP70444G 15 Years  
Sire: Greenholme Ringo FP51020C\*  
Dam: Hillhead Trixie FP2804  
Breeder: The Late Mr L Stewart  
Exhibitor: Mrs H Saxon-Bland, Telford  
2nd 111 RACKWOOD KINGDOM FP72197G 6 Years  
Sire: Brackenbank Amos FP71039C\*  
Dam: Rackwood Maydew FP3487\*  
Breeder: Mrs E A Walker  
Exhibitor: Ellis Pidgeon, Ockbrook, Derbyshire  
3rd 110 LITTLETREE DIZZY RASCAL FP71762G 9  
Years  
Sire: Littletree Limited Edition FP70986C\*  
Dam: Murthwaite Border Melody FP4447

Breeder: Mrs E J Williams  
Exhibitor: Mrs W Gallin, Walsall, West Midlands  
4th 112 TOWNEND ROCKY FP71049G\* 12 Years  
Sire: Heltondale Bonzo Boy FP50115C\*  
Dam: Townend Hope FP3479  
Breeder: Mrs M Wilson  
Exhibitor: Mrs J Webster, West Midlands

**Class 9 Veteran, 15 years and over**

Sponsored by Nina Bolton  
1st 113 HILLHEAD HORACE FP70444G 15 Years  
As Class 8  
Exhibitor: Mrs H Saxon-Bland, Telford.

**Class 10 Stallion Progeny (Three Ponies)**

Sponsored by The Boutime Fell Pony Stud  
1st 104 BOUTIME MARY FP6373 2 Years  
As Class 3  
Exhibitor: Mrs D M Key, Seighford, Stafford  
1st 105 BOUTIME ESTHER FP6374 2 Years  
As Class 3  
Exhibitor: Mrs D Vychinski, Derbyshire  
1st 102 AMBERBROOK TEQUILA FP72883C 1 Year  
As Class 2  
Breeder & Exhibitor: Miss L Hopkins, Derbyshire

**Class 11 Mare Progeny**

Sponsored by The Boutime Fell Pony Stud  
No Entries

**Class 12 Stud (Minimum Two Ponies)**

Sponsored by The Boutime Fell Pony Stud  
1st 104 BOUTIME MARY FP6373 2 Years  
As Class 3  
Exhibitor: Mrs D M Key, Seighford, Stafford  
1st 105 BOUTIME ESTHER FP6374 2 Years  
As Class 3  
Exhibitor: Mrs D Vychinski, Little Longstone,  
Derbyshire  
2nd 101 HILLHEAD PORT ELLEN FP6513 1 Year  
As Class 2  
Exhibitor: Mrs G Wareham, Bishops Stortford  
2nd 107 HILLHEAD EMMA II FP4531 13 Years  
As Class 5  
Exhibitor: Mrs H J Gallagher, Baldersdale  
2nd 108 HILLHEAD WHISKEY FP6039 5 Years  
As Class 5  
Exhibitor: Mr M Gallagher, Baldersdale  
2nd 113 HILLHEAD HORACE FP70444G 15 Years  
As Class 8  
Exhibitor: Mrs H Saxon-Bland, Telford

**The Bewcastle Boy Blue Inter Group In Hand Qualifier**

Sponsored by Little Longstone Fell Pony Group  
Qualifier 105 BOUTIME ESTHER FP6374 2 Years  
As Class 3  
Runner Up 108 HILLHEAD WHISKEY FP6039 5  
Years  
Exhibitor: Mr M Gallagher, Baldersdale

**Youngstock In Hand Championship  
Sponsored by Ms Lynn Marshall**

Champion 105 BOUTIME ESTHER FP6374 2 Years  
As Class 3  
Exhibitor: Mrs D Vychinski, Derbyshire  
Reserve 104 BOUTIME MARY FP6373 2 Years  
As Class 3  
Exhibitor: Mrs D M Key, Seighford, Stafford

**Adult In Hand Championship**

Sponsored in memory of Mrs Eileen Waterfall  
Champion 108 HILLHEAD WHISKEY FP6039 5  
Years  
As Class 5  
Exhibitor: Mr M Gallagher, Baldersdale  
Reserve 107 HILLHEAD EMMA II FP4531 13 Years  
As Class 5  
Exhibitor: Mrs H J Gallagher

**FELL PONY RIDDEN CLASSES**

**Class 13 Novice Pony in its first season  
under saddle (Snaffle bridles only)**

Sponsored by MWFPSS Group  
1st 110 LITTLETREE DIZZY RASCAL FP71762G 9  
Years  
As Class 8  
Exhibitor: Mrs W Gallin, Walsall, West Midlands

**Class 14 Novice Pony (Not to have won a  
first prize of £10 before Jan 1st 2019)**

Sponsored by Heidi Saxon Bland  
1st 115 DALEWIN KINGPIN FP70983G\* 12 Years  
S: Murthwaite Windrush FP51201C\*  
D: Dalewin Grace FP70317  
Breeder: Mr E Winder  
Exhibitor: Mrs N M Brierley, Alvaston, Derbyshire  
2nd 109 SUMMERHOUSE NANCY FP5097 10 Years  
Sire: Castle Hill Danny FP70440G\*  
Dam: Burnhead Polly FP3111  
Breeder: Mr P Boustead  
Exhibitor: Miss V Moore, Cranfield, Bedfordshire  
3rd 116 DALEFOOT PRINCE FP71142G 11 Years  
S: Urwins Prince II FP70707G\*  
D: Dalefoot Amber (B) FP2394  
Breeder: Miss B A Potter  
Exhibitor: Mrs Z Styles , Loughborough, Leics  
4th 114 GREENHOLME GEORGE FP72046G 7 Years  
S: Murthwaite Wanted Man FP71082C\*  
D: Greenholme Becky FP4596  
Breeder: Miss R J Potter  
Exhibitor: Miss F Bubb, Fillongley, Warwickshire

**Class 15 Intermediate**

Sponsored by Mr B J Stamp  
1st 117 CHESTERMANN DANDY FP71087G 12  
Years  
S: Lunesdale Royal FP942C\*  
D: Holly FP2294  
Breeder: Mrs N Gwynne

Exhibitor: Ms S Duckhouse, Foel, Welshpool  
2nd 109 SUMMERHOUSE NANCY FP5097 10 Years  
As Class 5  
Exhibitor: Miss V Moore, Cranfield, Bedfordshire

**Class 16 Traditional Ridden Class (Walk and Trot Only)**

Sponsored by Mrs Fiona Dillon  
1st 115 DALEWIN KINGPIN FP70983G\* 12 Years  
As Class 14  
Exhibitor: Mrs N M Brierley, Alvaston, Derbyshire  
2nd 113 HILLHEAD HORACE FP70444G 15 Years  
As Class 8  
Exhibitor: Mrs H Saxon-Bland, Telford  
3rd 119 RAISBECK CAPPUCCINO FP70945G 12  
Years

Sire: Guards Jester FP51006C\*  
Dam: Orton Hall Dusky FP2495  
Breeder: Mrs D J Slack  
Exhibitor: Miss F Bubb, Fillongley, Warwickshire  
4th 110 LITTLETREE DIZZY RASCAL FP71762G 9  
Years  
As Class 8

Exhibitor: Mrs W Gallin, Walsall, West Midlands  
5th 120 DRYBARROWS TIM II FP71793G 9 Years  
S: Askham Gate Lucky Tom FP51017C\*  
D: Drybarrows Polly II FP4123  
Breeder: The Late Mr T C Thompson  
Exhibitor: Miss Kate Smith, Arksey, Doncaster  
6th 111 RACKWOOD KINGDOM FP72197G 6 Years  
As Class 8  
Exhibitor: Miss K Radford, Ockbrook, Derbyshire

**Class 17 Open Ridden Class**

Sponsored by Bewcastle Fell Ponies  
1st 113 HILLHEAD HORACE FP70444G 15 Years  
As Class 82nd  
119 RAISBECK CAPPUCCINO FP70945G 12 Years  
As Class 16  
Exhibitor: Miss F Bubb, Fillongley, Warwickshire

**Class 18 Veteran Ridden**

Sponsored by MWFPSS Group  
1st 113 HILLHEAD HORACE FP70444G 15 Years  
As Class 8  
Exhibitor: Mrs H Saxon-Bland, Telford  
Ridden Championship Sponsored by Bagshaws  
LLP  
Champion 117 CHESTERMANN DANDY FP71087G  
12 Years  
Exhibitor: Ms S Duckhouse, Foel, Welshpool  
As Class 15  
Reserve  
113 HILLHEAD HORACE FP70444G 15 Years  
As Class 8  
Exhibitor: Mrs H Saxon-Bland, Telford

**WHP Class 27 Novice Working Hunter - 50cms**

Sponsored by Mrs D. Key in memory of Starlight  
1st 109 SUMMERHOUSE NANCY FP5097 10 Years  
As Class 5  
Exhibitor: Miss V Moore, Cranfield, Bedfordshire  
2nd 121 MURTHWAITE LOOKS PROMISING  
FP71080G 12 Years  
As Class 17  
Exhibitor: Mrs J L Rawden, Newark, Notts  
E 115 DALEWIN KINGPIN FP70983G\* 12 Years  
As Class 14  
Exhibitor: Mrs N M Brierley, Alvaston, Derbyshire

**Class 28 Open Working Hunter - 60cms**

Sponsored by Emma Hector  
1st 117 CHESTERMANN DANDY FP71087G 12  
Years  
As Class 15  
Exhibitor: Ms S Duckhouse, Foel, Welshpool  
2nd 121 MURTHWAITE LOOKS PROMISING  
FP71080G 12 Years  
As Class 17  
Exhibitor: Mrs J L Rawden, Newark, Notts  
**Champion CHESTERMANN DANDY  
Reserve  
MURTHWAITE LOOKS PROMISING**

**Class 34 DRIVING**

Sponsored by Linda Wiggin  
1st 119 RAISBECK CAPPUCCINO FP70945G 12  
Years. Exhibitor: Mrs L Wiggin & Miss F  
Bubb.

**DRESSAGE**

**Class A: Intro Walk & Trot test**

1st 110 LITTLETREE DIZZY RASCAL FP71762G 9  
Years  
As Class 8  
Exhibitor: Mrs W Gallin, Walsall, West Midlands  
2nd 114 GREENHOLME GEORGE FP72046G 7  
Years  
As Class 14  
Exhibitor: Miss F Bubb, Fillongley, Warwickshire

**Class B: Preliminary Test 7**

Sponsored by Little Longstone Fell Pony Group  
1st 121 MURTHWAITE LOOKS PROMISING  
FP71080G 12 Years  
As Class 17  
Exhibitor: Mrs J L Rawden, Newark, Notts  
2nd 115 DALEWIN KINGPIN FP70983G\* 12 Years  
As Class 14  
Exhibitor: Mrs N M Brierley, Alvaston, Derbyshire  
3rd 116 DALEFOOT PRINCE FP71142G 11 Years  
As Class 14  
Exhibitor: Mrs Z Styles, Loughborough, Leics  
4th 120 DRYBARROWS TIM II FP71793G 9 Years  
As Class 16

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Jane Rawden and Bracklinn Glayva at FPS-MESG Midlands East Horse & Pony Show



Gilly Chippendale's Stenerskeugh Smoke at the FPS Stallion & Colt Show



Robert Relph-Briggs with Birkettbank Master John at the FPS Stallion & Colt Show



*FPS Stallion & Colt Show Champion Lunesdale Black Ice II (left) with Katie Raine, and Reserve Greenholme Diego with John Potter.*



*FPS Breed Show Junior ridden champion and reserve overall ridden champion: Ellie Mitchell and Lunesdale Aurora.*



*Young Judges winner Emily Cheetham, Young Handlers winner Imogen Cockbain with Carrock Elsa, and judge Jean Ward at the Breed Show*



*Peepings Aragon ridden by Neive Lacey-Chappelhow won the lead rein class at the Breed Show*



*Supreme Champion at the Breed Show, Mrs Deborah Vychinski's 3 year old filly Boutime Esther (S: Boutime Wooster, D: Sleddale Rosebud.)*



*At the Breed Show, Annabel Dickinson's Raisbeck Calico took the Riding Class for Mares, the Carrock Pollyanna Trophy and the Toby Tankard for the overall Ridden Champion.*



*Heritage of the Hill-Bred Fell Pony Exhibition*

*Above: Reproduction of a painting, which John Dunning brought to the exhibition at Rheged. A War Office buyer bids for unhandled Fell ponies at Brough Hill Fair, to be used as pack horses in World War 1.*

*Below: Photographs of ponies on the fell surround a felt sculpture of a Fell pony.*





**Derbyshire Fell & Dales  
Pony Show**

*Above, left: Supreme  
Champion and Youngstock  
Champion, Deb Vychinski's  
Boutime Esther with judge  
Colin Turner*

*Above, right: Ridden  
Champion, Reserve Supreme  
Champion and Working Hunter  
Champion Sonyarisa  
Duckhouse and Chestermann  
Dandy with Colin Turner*

*Right: Adult in hand champion  
Mark Gallagher's Hillhead  
Whiskey with Colin Turner,  
being presented with the Ken  
Saxon trophy by Mrs Lynn  
Saxon*

*Photos by Diane Key*



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Exhibitor: Miss Kate Smith, Arksey, Doncaster  
5th 109 SUMMERHOUSE NANCY FP5097 10 Years  
As Class 5

Exhibitor: Miss V Moore, Cranfield, Bedfordshire  
6th 111 RACKWOOD KINGDOM FP72197G 6 Years  
As Class 8

Exhibitor: Miss K Radford, Ockbrook, Derbyshire

#### **Class C: Novice Test 24**

Sponsored by Karen Bennett in memory of  
Ludworth Albion

1st 121 MURTHWAITE LOOKS PROMISING  
FP71080G 12 Years

As Class 17

Exhibitor: Mrs J L Rawden, Newark, Notts  
2nd 117 CHESTERMANN DANDY FP71087G 12  
Years. As Class 15

Exhibitor: Ms S Duckhouse, Foel, Welshpool

3rd 120 DRYBARROWS TIM II FP71793G 9 Years  
As Class 16

Exhibitor: Miss Kate Smith, Arksey, Doncaster

#### **SUPREME CHAMPIONSHIP**

Rosettes & Sashes Sponsored by Bagshaws LLP  
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#### **Supreme Champion BOUTIME ESTHER**

Reserve, **CHESTERMANN DANDY**



## **FPS-MESG Midlands East Horse & Pony Show, 14 July 2019**

(Run under the auspices of Fell Pony Society)

We feel very privileged that Peter Boustead, Chairman of the Fell Pony Society, agreed to travel down to judge our in-hand & ridden classes. He also gave an impromptu talk on the difference between Fell and Dales ponies, using role models of each breed, which was really informative and thoroughly enjoyed by all.

It was certainly a successful day for the Hillhead Fell Pony's, with Mark Gallagher's Hillhead Whiskey taking the Fell In-hand Championship, the FPS-Affiliated In-hand class and then going on to win the Overall Show Championship, with Heidi Saxon-Bland's Hillhead Horace standing Reserve Show Champion, having had a very successful day claiming Fell Ridden Champion and winning the FPS Affiliated Ridden class.

Our Fell WH Champion was Rachael Barratt riding Drybarrows Boxer, and Fell ponies were also well represented in the Dressage and our Handy pony classes.

Kayley Radford, with her pony Rackwood Kingdom, was successful in qualifying for the Bewcastle Boy Blue inter area final to be held at the Southern Show, where she will represent the Midlands East Support Group together with Jane Rawden's Bracklinn Glayva who qualified at the Sandringham Fell, Dales, Exmoor & Friends Show in May.

The committee would like to thank all of our competitors who came to support us today and we're looking forward to welcoming you back for our final Show of 2019 on 8th September.

Nicola Brierley

# FPS Breed Show,

4 August 2019

## JUDGES

- Classes 1 - 8 Mr P Boustead  
Classes 9-17 Mr C Turner  
Classes 18-19 Mr J Stalker  
Classes 20-22 Mrs J Ward  
Classes 23-28 Mrs R Eastwood  
Class 29 Mrs R Eastwood & Mrs J Crane  
Classes 30-33 Mrs J Crane  
Classes 34-35 Mr R Ottink  
Classes 36-37 Mrs J Ward  
Class 38 Mrs B Bell  
Class 39A- 39C Mrs T Graham  
Classes 40-43 Miss G Callister

## Class 1 Gelding 4 to 7 years old

- 1st Greenholme Hot Rod, FP72249G\*, f2013, S:  
Greenholme Diego, D: Greenholme White  
Rose, Owner Mrs N Chippendale  
2nd Murthwaite TBC, FP72474G, f2015, S:  
Wellbrow Lancashire Lass, D: Murthwaite  
Alice, Owner Mrs S E James  
3rd Bracklinn Sam, FP72131G, f2012, S:  
Bracklinn Jackpot, D:Townend Truffle II,  
Owner Miss C Simpson  
4th Catterlen Gary's Lad, FP72048G, f2012, S:  
Lownthwaite Gary, D: Catterlen Sherry,  
Owner Mrs S J Atkinson  
5th Waverfoot Solitaire, FP72239G\*,f2013, S:  
Lownthwaite Gary, D: Heltondale Bonny IV,  
Owner Mrs C H Blears

## Class 2 Gelding 8 years and upwards

- 1st Balmoral Royalty, FP71501G\*, f2009, S:  
Border Black Prince, D: Murthwaite  
Princess, Owner H.M. The Queen  
2nd Wellbrow Dodger, FP71672G\*, f2010, S:  
Heltondale Mountain Mist II, D: Wellbrow  
Polly Flinders, Owner Miss M L Younger



*Reserve Ridden Champion at the Breed Show, Banksgate Oh Boy,  
S: Banksgate Johnny Doran, D: Carrock Penny, Owner Mrs B Metcalfe & Mrs B J Robinson,  
Rider Miss A Metcalfe*

3rd Wellbrow Chief, FP71497G, f2009,  
S: Heltondale Mountain Mist II, D:  
Heltondale Lucky Girl V, Owner Miss H  
Martin

4th Wellbrow Charlie, FP71531G, f2009, S:  
Wellbrow Leo, D: Wellbrow Rosland, Owner  
Miss Z Blakey,

5th Harthouse Hillman, FP71338G, f2008, S:  
Lownthwaite Gary, D: Tarnbeck Mona Lisa,  
Owner Mrs S R Stewart

6th Wellbrow Moonstone, FP70788G, f2006, S:  
Heltondale Mountain Mist II, D: Wellbrow  
Jade, Owner Mrs M Donnan

#### **Class 3 - Mare 4 to 7 years old**

1st Townend Fancy, FP6021, f2014, S:  
Heltondale Bonzo Boy, D: Townend Bridie II,  
Owner Mrs M Wilson

2nd Bybeck Nightingale, FP5859, f2013, S:  
Murthwaite Timothy, D: Greenholme Rose,  
Owner H.M.The Queen

3rd Rackwood Rambling Rose, FP6101, f2015, S:  
Brackenbank Amos, D: Rackwood Black  
Magic, Owner Mrs E A Walker

4th Wellbrow Hilda, FP6014, f2014, S:  
Heltondale Mountain Mist II, D: Wellbrow  
Polly Flinders, Owner Miss H Allison

5th Llanerchbrook Nutmeg, FP6129, f2015, S:  
Brocklebank Grand Marnier, D: Brocklebank  
Laffite, Owner Miss H M Stewart

6th Rundales Volley, FP6112, f2015, S: Wellbrow  
Rover, D: Rundales Elley, Owner Miss R  
Woodruff

#### **Class 4 Mare 8 years old and upwards**

1st Rackwood Maggie May, FP5345, f2010, S:  
Wellbrow Samson, D: Rackwood Maydew,  
Owner Mrs E A Walker

2nd Dalefoot Amber, FP5328, f2010, S:  
Greenholme Look At Me, D: Dalefoot Amber  
(B), Owner Miss O Swailes

3rd Brocklebank Pimms No.1, FP5550, f2011, S:  
Severnvale Hereward, D: Brocklebank Brown  
Velvet, Owner Miss H M Stewart

4th Townend Cherry, FP5081, f2009, S: Castle  
Hill Bellman, D: Townend Choccy, Owner Mrs  
J Reekie

5th Rundales Princess, FP5001, f2009, S:  
Tunstall Jake, D: Rundales Elley, Owner Mrs  
A M Troy

6th Hedgethorpe Lady May, FP3886, f2003, S:  
Severnvale Grey Bobby, D: Nightshade,  
Owner Miss D J Chadwick

#### **Class 5 Mare 4 years old and upwards with own colt foal at foot**

1st Carrock Elsa, FP6003, f2014, S: Murthwaite  
Timothy, D: Townend Sugar, Owner Mr J  
Cockbain

#### **Class 6 Colt Foal**

1st Carrock colt, FP tbc, f2019, S: Carrock  
Stride the Night, D: Carrock Elsa, Owner Mr  
J Cockbain

#### **Class 7 Mare 4 years old and upwards with own filly foal at foot**

1st Murthwaite Nicola Adams, FP5694, f2012, S:  
Murthwaite Ice Man, D: Murthwaite Dainty,  
Owner Mrs N Chippendale

#### **Class 8 Filly Foal**

1st Lammerside Party Girl, FP tbc, f2019, S:  
Greenholme Jonjo, D: Murthwaite Nicola  
Adams, Owner Mrs N Chippendale

#### **Class 9 Yearling Filly**

1st Townend Brook, FP6634, f2018, S:  
Greenholme Warrior, D: Townend Eden,  
Owner Mrs M Wilson

2nd Carrock Hope, FP6547, f2018, S: Banksgate  
Jack High, D: Carrock Elsa, Owner Mr J  
Cockbain

3rd Greenholme Mayflower, FP6578, f2018, S:  
Greenholme Warrior, D: Murthwaite Fauna,  
Owner Miss C Wilson

4th Darrenvale Freya, FP6525, f2018, S:  
Darrenvale Fire Fox, D: Greenholme Dolly,  
Owner Miss V Lee

5th Lunesdale Celine, FP6558, f2018, S:  
Lunesdale Union Jack, D: Lunesdale Ice  
Queen, Owner Mrs P Steeples

6th Ralfland Eyebright, FP6555, f2018, S:  
Greenholme Warrior, D: Ralfland Petal,  
Owner Mrs J Holme

#### **Class 10 Yearling Colt or Gelding**

1st Wellbrow Lennie, FP72965C, f2018, S:  
Wellbrow Rover, D: Wellbrow Chancy, Owner  
Miss H Martin

2nd Dalewin Victor, FP72927C, f2018, S:  
Lunesdale Black Ice II, D: Lockholme Darkie  
III, Owner Miss K Raine

3rd Norton Towers Johnny, FP72921G, f2018, S:  
Bybeck Piper, D: Rundales Kay, Owner Mrs A  
& Miss F Blenkarn

#### **Class 11 Filly 2 years old**

1st Boutime Esther, FP6374, f2017, S; Boutime  
Wooster, D: Sleddale Rosebud, Owner Mrs D  
Vychinski

2nd Dalewin Uptown Girl, FP6421, f2017, S:  
Lunesdale Black Ice II, D: Dalewin Fern,  
Owner Mr E Winder

3rd Firbank Rockstar, FP6433\*, f2017, S:  
Murthwaite Michael, D: Murthwaite  
Meadowsweet (B), Owner Mrs S E James

4th Setmabanning Melody, FP6459, f2017, S:  
Boutime Wooster, D: Townend Mara, Owner  
Mr M G Fearon

5th Greenholme Lady Hawk, FP6390, f2017, S:  
Greenholme Diego, D: Greenholme Hawkeye  
The Noo, Owner Miss H Mawrey

6th Bonnie Betty Blue, FP6530\*, f2017, S:  
Bowthorne Black Bobby, D: Murthwaite Beth  
Tweddle, Owner Mrs G Chippendale

**Class 12 Colt or Gelding 2 years old**

1st Towerview Fire Cracker, FP72830C, f2017, S:  
Darrenvale Fire Fox, D: Darrenvale  
Charlotte, Owner Miss V Lee & Mr M  
Catterall

2nd Wellbrow Kingston, FP72798G, f2017, S:  
Heltondale Mountain Mist II, D: Wellbrow  
Polly Flinders, Owner Miss M L Younger

**Class 13 Filly 3 years old**

1st Greenholme Kate, FP6254, f2016, S:  
Greenholme Warrior, D: Greenholme  
Bethany, Owner Mrs P Steeples

2nd Carrock Lilly, FP6278, f2016, S: Boutime  
Wooster, D: Townend Sugar, Owner Mr J W  
Cockbain

3rd Drybarrows Blencathra, FP6290, f2016, S:  
Carrock I'm Yer Man, D: Drybarrows Fern,  
Owner Mr M G Fearon

4th Waverhead Fantasy, FP6253, f2016, S:  
Lownthwaite Gary, D: Waverhead Molly III,  
Owner Mrs M Lawson

**Class 14 Colt or Gelding 3 years old**

NO ENTRIES

**Class 15 Group Class Mare Progeny**

1st Wellbrow Polly Flinders, FP3427:  
- Wellbrow Dodger, FP71672G\*, f2010, S:  
Heltondale Mountain Mist II, D: Wellbrow  
Polly Flinders  
- Wellbrow Kingston, FP72798G, f2017, S:  
Heltondale Mountain Mist II, D: Wellbrow  
Polly Flinders \*\*\*\* Owner Miss M L Younger  
- Wellbrow Norman, FP70463G, f2004, S:  
Heltondale Norman, D: Wellbrow Polly  
Flinders

**Class 16 Group Class Stallion Progeny**

NO ENTRIES

**Class 17 Veteran Mare or Gelding 15 years  
and over**

1st Raisbeck Casino, FP3481, f2000, S: Rylstone  
Black Night, D: Lunesdale Frances, Owner  
Mrs D J Slack

2nd Wellbrow Norman, FP70463G, f2004, S:  
Heltondale Norman, D: Wellbrow Polly  
Flinders, Owner Miss M L Younger

3rd Jonty II, FP70233G, f2003, S: Drybarrows  
Rusty, D: Kerbeck Night Spirit, Owner Miss H  
Mawrey

**Class 18 Pony with the Best Set of Feet  
(Shod) 3 years and upwards**

1st Townend Fancy, FP6021, f2014, S:  
Heltondale Bonzo Boy, D: Townend Bridie II,  
Owner Mrs M Wilson

**Class 19 Pony with the Best Set of Feet  
(Un-shod)**

1st Rundales Volley, FP6112, f2015, S: Wellbrow  
Rover, D: Rundales Elley, Owner Miss R  
Woodruff

**Class 20 Best Turned Out Pony and Rider**

1st Banksgate Candy, FP5732, f2012, S:  
Banksgate Jackdaw, D: Banksgate Pollyanna,  
Owner Mrs K Cooper, Rider Miss S Cooper

2nd Hardendale High Society, FP5983, f2014, S:  
Greenholme Warrior, D: Lune Valley Pearl,  
Owner & Rider Mrs J Brain

3rd Wellbrow Hilda, FP6014, f2014, S:  
Heltondale Mountain Mist II, D: Wellbrow  
Polly Flinders, Owner & Rider Miss H Allison

**Class 21 Lead Rein**

1st Peepings Aragon, FP72320G, f2013, S:  
Tunstall Jake, D: Peepings Lady Rylston,  
Owner Mrs S Chappelhow-Lacey, Rider Miss  
Neive Lacey-Chappelhow, Age 5

**Class 22 First Ridden**

1st Waverfoot Solitaire, FP72239G\*, f2013, S:  
Lownthwaite Gary, D: Heltondale Bonny IV,  
Owner Mrs CH Blears, Rider Mia Blears, Age  
12

2nd Marleystone Branagan, FP72008G, f2011, S:  
Lownthwaite Jimbo, D: Breezy, Owner Miss  
E Hernon, Rider Emily Collins, Age 10

3rd Greenholme Geoff II, FP72047G, f2012, S:  
Greenholme Diego, D: Greenholme Bethany,  
Owner Mrs C Burns, Rider Toby Burns, Age  
10

4th Brooksan Hades, FP72136G, f2012, S:  
Lownthwaite Ribas, D: Brooksan Cassiopeia,  
Owner Miss E Hernon, Rider Katie Collins,  
Age 10

**Class 23 Nursery Novice**

1st Townend Elfin, FP5880, f2013, S: Castle Hill  
Bellman, D: Townend Candy IV, Owner &  
Rider Mrs K Wilson

2nd Peepings Aragon, FP72320G, f2013, S:  
Tunstall Jake, D: Peepings Lady Rylston,  
Owner & Rider Mrs S Chappelhow-Lacey,

3rd Hardendale High Society, FP5983, f2014, S:  
Greenholme Warrior, D: Lune Valley Pearl,  
Owner & Rider Mrs J Brain

4th Dalehead Ruby, FP5698, f2012, S: Lunesdale  
Ace of Spades, D: Dalehead Gail, Owner &  
Rider Mrs D Henson

5th Kerbeck Night Rose, FP4417, f2006, S: Bishopdale Duke, D: Kerbeck Night Destiny, Owner Mrs S Messenger, Rider Miss A Messenger

**Class 24a Mares Traditional Ridden Walk and Trot Only**

- 1st Brackenbank Flicka, FP5890, f2013, S: Fitzview Dazzler, D: Brackenbank Rose, Owner & Rider Miss A Kinsella
- 2nd Raisbeck Calico FP5287, f2010, S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D: Raisbeck Casino, Owner & Rider Miss A Dickinson
- 3rd Inglegarth Celeritas, FP4859, f2008, S: Lownthwaite Gary, D: Inglegarth Lady Maree, Owner Mr M Milburn, Rider Miss D Hull
- 4th Wellbrow Hilda, FP6014, f2014, S: Heltondale Mountain Mist II, D: Wellbrow Polly Flinders, Owner & Rider Miss H Allison
- 5th Hardendale High Society, FP5983, f2014, S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Lune Valley Pearl, Owner & Rider Mrs J Brain
- 6th Rundales Princess, FP5001, f2009, S: Tunstall Jake, D: Rundales Elley, Owner & Rider Mrs A M Troy

**Class 24b Gelding & Stallion Traditional Ridden Walk and Trot Only**

- 1st Greenholme Dec, FP71413G, f2009, S: Greenholme Little John, D: Greenholme Vanessa, Owner Mr P Metcalfe, Rider Miss B Lewis
- 2nd Hillhead Horace, FP70444G, f2004, S: Greenholme Ringo, D: Hillhead Trixie, Owner & Rider Mrs H Saxon-Bland
- 3rd Banksgate Oh Boy, FP72570C\*, f2015, S: Banksgate Johnny Doran, D: Carrock Penny, Owner Mrs B Metcalfe & Mrs B J Robinson, Rider Miss A Metcalfe
- 4th Stennerskeugh Smoke, FP70691G\*, f2005, S: Lunesdale Tarquin, D: Stennerskeugh Bethany, Owner & Rider Mrs G Chippendale
- 5th Catterlen Gary's Lad, FP72048G, f2012, S: Lownthwaite Gary, D: Catterlen Sherry, Owner & Rider Mrs S J Atkinson
- 6th Drybarrows Ruler, FP71304G, f2008, S: Drybarrows Rusty, D: Drybarrows Kate, Owner Mrs W Nicholas, Rider Miss E Nicholas

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

- 1st Greenholme Guardsman, FP72043G, f2012, S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Greenholme Vanessa, Owner Mr P Metcalfe, Rider Miss A Metcalfe
- 2nd Rosefell T Reg, FP71503G, f2009, S: Murthwaite Mr Right, D: Bybeck Cherry Blossom, Owner Mrs J Huddleston, Rider Miss A Robinson

3rd Deepghyll Lucky Touch, FP71831G, f2011, S: Townend Rocky, D: Bracklinn Honey, Owner & Rider Mrs G Ridding

4th Greenholme Dec, FP71413G, f2009, S: Greenholme Little John, D: Greenholme Vanessa, Owner Mr P Metcalfe, Rider Miss B Lewis

5th Greenholme Hot Rod, FP72249G\*, f2013, S: Greenholme Diego, D: Greenholme White Rose, Owner & Rider Mrs N Chippendale

6th Balmoral Royalty, FP71501G\*, f2009, S: Border Black Prince, D: Murthwaite Princess, Owner H.M. The Queen, Rider Miss C Stuart

**Class 26 Riding Class for Mares**

- 1st Raisbeck Calico FP5287, f2010, S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D: Raisbeck Casino, Owner & Rider Miss A Dickinson
- 2nd Dalefoot Amber, FP5328, f2010, S: Greenholme Look At Me, D: Dalefoot Amber (B), Owner & Rider Miss O Swailes
- 3rd Lunesdale Aurora, FP4437, f2006, S: Dalehead Glen, D: Lunesdale Lady Rebecca, Owner Mrs B Metcalfe, Rider Miss A Metcalfe
- 4th Brackenbank Flicka, FP5890, f2013, S: Fitzview Dazzler, D: Brackenbank Rose, Owner & Rider Miss A Kinsella
- 5th Brocklebank Pimms No.1, FP5550, f2011, S: Seavernvale Hereward, D: Brocklebank Brown Velvet, Owner Miss H M Stewart
- 6th Bybeck Nightingale, FP5859, f2013, S: Murthwaite Timothy, D: Greenholme Rose, Owner H.M. The Queen, Rider Miss C Stuart

**Class 27 Pairs Ridden**

- 1st Greenholme Dec, FP71413G, f2009, S: Greenholme Little John, D: Greenholme Vanessa, Owner Mr P Metcalfe  
Greenholme Guardsman, FP72043G, f2012, S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Greenholme Vanessa, Owner Mr P Metcalfe,
- 2nd Banksgate Oh Boy, FP72570C\*, f2015, S: Banksgate Johnny Doran, D: Carrock Penny, Owner Mrs B Metcalfe & Mrs B J Robinson, Lunesdale Aurora, FP4437, f2006, S: Dalehead Glen, D: Lunesdale Lady Rebecca, Owner Mrs B Metcalfe
- 3rd Rundales Princess, FP5001, f2009, S: Tunstall Jake, D: Rundales Elley, Owner Mrs A M Troy  
Drybarrows Ruler, FP71304G, f2008, S: Drybarrows Rusty, D: Drybarrows Kate, Owner Mrs W Nicholas

**Class 28 Ridden Veteran Class Mare or Gelding to be 15 years or over**

- 1st Raisbeck Casino, FP3481, f2000, S: Rylstone Black Night, D: Lunesdale Frances, Owner Mrs D J Slack

- 2nd Wellbrow Norman, FP70463G, f2004, S:  
Heltondale Norman, D: Wellbrow Polly  
Flinders, Owner Miss M L Younger
- Class 29 NPS/Baileys Horse Feeds Ridden  
Fell Pony of the Year (H O Y S QUALIFIER)**
- 1st Deepghyll Lucky Touch, FP71831G, f2011, S:  
Townend Rocky, D: Bracklinn Honey, Owner  
& Rider Mrs G Ridding
- 2nd Rosefell T Reg, FP71503G, f2009, S:  
Murthwaite Mr Right, D: Bybeck Cherry  
Blossom, Owner Mrs J Huddleston, Rider  
Miss A Robinson
- 3rd Lunesdale Aurora, FP4437, f2006, S:  
Dalehead Glen, D: Lunesdale Lady Rebecca,  
Owner Mrs B Metcalfe, Rider Miss A Metcalfe
- 4th Brocklebank Pimms No.1, FP5550, f2011, S:  
Severnvale Hereward, D: Brocklebank Brown  
Velvet, Owner Miss H M Stewart
- 5th Brackenbank Flicka, FP5890, f2013, S:  
Fitzview Dazzler, D: Brackenbank Rose,  
Owner & Rider Miss A Kinsella
- 6th Stennerskeugh Harvey, FP71826C\*, f2011, S:  
Lunesdale Tarquin, Stennerskeugh Clara,  
Owner & Rider Miss R Amano
- Class 30 Riding Class for Mares Or Geldings  
4 years old and upwards (Rider to be 14  
years or under on day of show)**
- 1st Deepghyll Lucky Touch, FP71831G, f2011, S:  
Townend Rocky, D: Bracklinn Honey, Owner  
Mrs G Ridding, Rider Izzy Ridding, Age 12
- 2nd Rosefell T Reg, FP71503G, f2009, S:  
Murthwaite Mr Right, D: Bybeck Cherry  
Blossom, Owner Mrs J Huddleston, Rider  
Rosie Tinkler, Age 14
- 3rd Banksgate Candy, FP5732, f2012, S:  
Banksgate Jackdaw, D: Banksgate Pollyanna,  
Owner Mrs K Cooper, Rider Serena Cooper,  
Age 13
- 4th Dalefoot Ripple, FP5478, f2011, S:  
Greenholme Look At Me, D: Dalefoot Scooby,  
Owner & Rider Ben Summers, Age 13
- 5th Dalefoot Rio, FP71873G, f2011, S:  
Greenholme Look At Me, D: Dalefoot Amber  
(B), Owner Mrs A Robinson, Rider Kitty  
Robinson, Age 14
- Class 31 Riding Class for Mare Or Geldings  
4 years old and upwards (Rider to be  
under 18 on 1st January 2019)**
- 1st Lunesdale Aurora, FP4437, f2006, S:  
Dalehead Glen, D: Lunesdale Lady Rebecca,  
Owner Mrs B Metcalfe, Rider Ellie Mitchell,  
Age 17
- 2nd Murthwaite Barney Rubble, FP71395G,  
f2009, S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D:  
Murthwaite Keepsake II, Owner Mrs V  
Thompson, Rider Lucy Mason, Age 16
- 3rd Marleystone Brendan, FP72009G, f2011, S:  
Lownthwaite Jimbo, D: Townend Brianna,  
Owner Miss E Herson, Rider Mia Curas, Age  
17
- Class 32 Riding Class for Novice Stallions  
or Geldings 4 years old and upwards**
- 1st Banksgate Oh Boy, FP72570C\*, f2015, S:  
Banksgate Johnny Doran, D: Carrock Penny,  
Owner Mrs B Metcalfe & Mrs B J Robinson,  
Rider Miss A Metcalfe
- 2nd Bracklinn Sam, FP72131G, f2012, S:  
Bracklinn Jackpot, D: Townend Truffle II,  
Owner Miss C Simpson, Miss A Robinson
- 3rd Wellbrow Charlie, FP71531G, f2009, S:  
Wellbrow Leo, D: Wellbrow Rosland, Owner  
& Rider Miss Z Blakey,
- 4th Wellbrow Dodger, FP71672G\*, f2010, S:  
Heltondale Mountain Mist II, Wellbrow Polly  
Flinders, Owner & Rider Miss M L Younger
- 5th Severnvale Ollie, FP72371C\*, f2014, S:  
Severnvale Ivor, D: Severnvale Sadie, Owner  
Mrs K Dawson-McDermott, Rider Miss S  
McDermott
- 6th Kerbeck Jupiter's Fire, FP72353G\*, f2014, S:  
Greenholme Bobby Dazzler, D:  
Stennerskeugh Donna IV, Owner Mrs K  
Dawson-McDermott, Rider Miss C Brophy
- Class 33 Riding Class for Novice Mares 4  
years old and upwards**
- 1st Townend Elfin, FP5880, f2013, S: Castle Hill  
Bellman, D: Townend Candy IV, Owner &  
Rider Mrs K Wilson
- 2nd Lownthwaite Ruth, FP5684, f2012, S:  
Underwoods Drummer, D: Lownthwaite  
Rowena, Owner Mrs K Dawson-McDermott,  
Rider Miss R Cunningham
- 3rd Dalehead Ruby, FP5698, f2012, S:Lunesdale  
Ace of Spades, D: Dalehead Gail, Owner &  
Rider Mrs D Henson
- 4th Rundales Princess, FP5001, f2009, S:  
Tunstall Jake, D: Rundales Elley, Owner &  
Rider Mrs A M Troy
- Class 34 Stallion, Mare or Gelding 4 years  
old and upwards**
- 1st Stennerskeugh Smoke, FP70691G\*, f2005,  
S: Lunesdale Tarquin, D: Stennerskeugh  
Bethany, Owner & Exhibitor Mrs G  
Chippendale
- Class 35 Cone Driving**
- 1st Stennerskeugh Smoke, FP70691G\*, f2005,  
S: Lunesdale Tarquin, D: Stennerskeugh  
Bethany, Owner & Exhibitor Mrs G  
Chippendale
- Class 36 Young Handlers**
- 1st Handler Imogen Cockbain, Age 11; Carrock

- Elsa, FP6003, f2014, S: Murthwaite Timothy, D: Townend Sugar, Owner Mr J Cockbain.
- 2nd Handler Serena Cooper, Age 13; Banksgate Candy, FP5732, f2012, S: Banksgate Jackdaw, D: Banksgate Pollyanna, Owner Mrs K Cooper.
- 3rd Handler Toby Burns, Age 10; Greenholme Geoff II, FP72047G, f2012, S: Greenholme Diego, D: Greenholme Bethany, Owner Mrs C Burns.
- 4th Owner & Handler Miss H Allison. Wellbrow Hilda, FP6014, f2014, S: Heltondale Mountain Mist II, D: Wellbrow Polly Flinders.

**Class 37 Young Judges**

- 1st Emily Cheetham, Age 11

**Class 38 Fancy Dress**

- 1st Harthouse Hillman, FP71338G, f2008, S: Lownthwaite Gary, D: Tarnbeck Mona Lisa, Owner Mrs S R Stewart, Rider Georgia Ellis, Age 17
- 2nd Linnel Poppy, FP3811, f2002, S: Linnel Reynard, D: Linnel Petal, Owner Mrs E Little, Rider Enya Currie, Age 10
- 3rd Banksgate Candy, FP5732, f2012, S: Banksgate Jackdaw, D: Banksgate Pollyanna, Owner Mrs K Cooper, Rider Serena Cooper, Age 13

**Class 39A Dressage Preliminary 7 (2002) (Senior)**

- 1st Bracklinn Sam, FP72131G, f2012, S: Bracklinn Jackpot, D:Townend Truffle II, Owner Miss C Simpson, Rider Alex Robinson
- 2nd Wellbrow Chief, FP71497G, f2009, S: Heltondale Mountain Mist II, D: Heltondale Lucky Girl V, Owner & Rider Miss H Martin,
- 3rd Wellbrow Norman, FP70463G, f2004, S: Heltondale Norman, D: Wellbrow Polly Flinders, Owner & Rider Miss M L Younger
- 4th = Kerbeck Jupiter's Fire, FP72353G\*, f2014, S: Greenholme Bobby Dazzler, D: Stennerskeugh Donna IV, Owner Mrs K Dawson-McDermott, Rider Miss C Brophy
- 4th = Brunswyke Maigold, FP4751, f2008, S: Waverhead Dazzler II, D: Brunswyke Misty Rose, Owner & Rider Mrs R Littlejohn,
- 6th Greenholme Dillon, FP71412G, f2009, S: Greenholme Yabadabadoo, D: Greenholme Adele, Owner Miss C Simpson, Rider Ms M Indrova

**Class 39B Dressage Preliminary 7 (2002) (Junior)**

NO ENTRIES

**Class 39C Dressage BD Introductory Test A (2008) (Walk and Trot only)**

- 1st Hardendale High Society, FP5983, f2014, S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Lune Valley Pearl,

- Owner & Rider Mrs J Brain
- 2nd Townend Cherry, FP5081, f2009, S: Castle Hill Bellman, D: Townend Choccy, Owner & Rider Mrs J Reekie
- 3rd Linnel Poppy, FP3811, f2002, S: Linnel Reynard, D: Linnel Petal, Owner Mrs E Little, Rider Miss E Currie
- 4th Drybarrows Ruler, FP71304G, f2008, S: Drybarrows Rusty, D: Drybarrows Kate, Owner Mrs W Nicholas, Rider Miss E Nicholas
- 5th Wellbrow Cathy, FP5145, f2009, S: Wellbrow Leo, D: Heltondale Mint, Owner & Rider Mrs A Blenkarn
- 6th = Lathomdale Lily, FP5014, f2009, S: Heltondale Star Boy III, D: Lathomdale Lucy, Owner & Rider Miss K Brook,
- 6th = Kerbeck Night Rose, FP4417, f2006, S: Bishopdale Duke, D: Kerbeck Night Destiny, Owner & Rider Mrs S Messenger

**WORKING HUNTER PONY CLASSES**

**Class 40 Beginners Pony**

- 1st Lownthwaite Jimbo, FP51183G\*, f2001, S: Waverhead Bobby, D: Lownthwaite Zodiac, Owner Miss E Hernon, Rider Miss B Adams
- 2nd Lathomdale Lily, FP5014, f2009, S: Heltondale Star Boy III, D: Lathomdale Lucy, Owner & Rider Miss K Brook,
- 3rd Kerbeck Night Rose, FP4417, f2006, S: Bishopdale Duke, D: Kerbeck Night Destiny, Owner Mrs S Messenger, Rider Miss A Messenger

**Class 41 Novice Pony**

- 1st Harthouse Hillman, FP71338G, f2008, S: Lownthwaite Gary, D: Tarnbeck Mona Lisa, Owner Mrs S R Stewart, Rider Miss G Ellis
- 2nd Greenholme Geoff II, FP72047G, f2012, S: Greenholme Diego, D: Greenholme Bethany, Owner Mrs C Burns, Rider Mstr S Burns
- 3rd Brooksan Hades, FP72136G, f2012, S: Lownthwaite Ribas, D: Brooksan Cassiopeia, Owner Miss E Hernon, Rider Miss H Nicholls
- 4th Dalefoot Ripple, FP5478, f2011, S: Greenholme Look At Me, D: Dalefoot Scooby, Owner & Rider Ben Summers
- 5th Hedgethorpe Elizabeth, FP3769, f2002, S: Severnvale Hector, D: Townend Blackberry, Owner & Rider Miss C Urmson

**Class 42 Intermediate Pony**

- 1st Greenholme Dillon, FP71412G, f2009, S: Greenholme Yabadabadoo, D: Greenholme Adele, Owner Miss C Simpson, Rider Ms M Indrova
- 2nd Conway Carole's Legacy, FP5811, f2012, S: Lunesdale Tarquin, D: Lunesdale Lady Rebecca, Owner & Rider Mrs S Longrigg
- 3rd Brooksan Hades, FP72136G, f2012, S:

- Lownthwaite Ribas, D: Brooksan Cassiopeia,  
Owner Miss E Hernon, Rider Miss H Nicholls
- 4th Linnel Poppy, FP3811, f2002, S: Linnel  
Reynard, D: Linnel Petal, Owner Mrs E  
Little, Rider Miss E Currie
- 5th Dalefoot Ripple, FP5478, f2011, S:  
Greenholme Look At Me, D: Dalefoot  
Scooby, Owner & Rider Ben Summers
- Class 43 Open Pony**
- 1st Lunesdale War Dance, FP71133G, f2008, S:  
Greenholme Warrior, D: Lunesdale Gypsy  
Queen, Owner Mrs E J M Jones, Rider Miss S  
Jones
- 2nd Marleystone Branagan, FP72008G, f2011, S:  
Lownthwaite Jimbo, D: Breezy, Owner Miss  
E Hernon, Rider Miss B Nicholls
- 3rd Greenholme Dillon, FP71412G, f2009, S:  
Greenholme Yabadabadoo, D: Greenholme  
Adele, Owner Miss C Simpson, Rider Ms M  
Indrova

### **CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**Lakeland Cup**  
Champion, Boutime Esther  
Reserve, Wellbrow Lennie

**Shawfell Silhouette Memorial Cup**  
Carrock Colt  
**FPS Challenge Cup**  
Greenholme Kate  
**Farleton Trophy**  
Greenholme Hot Rod

**Stennesskeugh Joe Trophy**  
Balmoral Royalty

**Alan Shuttleworth Trophy**  
Champion  
Townend Fancy  
Reserve, Murthwaite Nicola Adams

**The Tufton Silver Challenge Trophy**  
Champion  
Boutime Esther  
Reserve, Townend Fancy

**The Jim Bell Memorial Trophy**  
Townend Fancy  
The Sylvia Mary McCosh

**Memorial Rose Bowl**  
Boutime Esther

**Heltondale Lucy X Cup**  
Greenholme Kate

**McDonough Shield**  
Murthwaite Nicola Adams

**Brackenbank Trophy**  
Champion  
Townend Fancy  
Reserve, Greenholme Hot Rod

**RIDDEN CHAMPIONSHIPS**  
**The Greenfield Memorial Trophy**  
Champion  
Townend Elfin  
Reserve, Banksgate Oh Boy

**The Littletree Trophy**  
Champion  
Lunesdale Aurora  
Reserve, Deepghyll Lucky Touch

**The Carrock Pollyanna Trophy**  
Champion  
Raisbeck Calico  
Reserve, Greenholme Guardsman

**The Toby Tankard**  
Champion  
Raisbeck Calico  
Reserve, Lunesdale Aurora

**The Briar Trophy**  
Banksgate Candy

**WHP CHAMPIONSHIP**  
Champion  
Lunesdale War Dance  
Reserve, Greenholme Dillon

**The Packway Bellman Trophy**  
Bracklinn Sam

## FPS Area Support Groups

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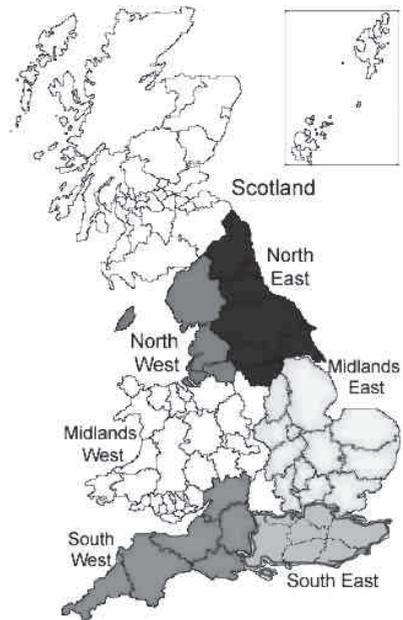
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## North of Scotland Area Support Group

North of Scotland area support group met in May for a hands-on driving day with Jane and Ewan MacInnes near Aberdeen. With some new members, all Fell fans, we learned about harnessing up, putting to the carriage, rein handling, driving out under supervision and ended with a drive along the river Dee with Ewan and his pair and covered wagon which was much appreciated in the wet weather.

In June we had our now annual pilgrimage to the Highland Show for a social meet up. Such a shame it's the same few people who join us on such a busy horse day.

In September the Cheetham family provided a pony (Townend Lulu) and display for the Rare Breeds Survival Trust at a National Trust property educating the general public with stories of pack work, much pony patting and breed history.

It is great to see Scottish ponies active in so many disciplines and we have a small band of long term supporters so would be good to meet a few more as Fells are gaining popularity. We are spreading our wings further each year and young Emily Cheetham has helped at all our events, at the FPS AGM this year, and stewarded all day at the breed show with only a short break to compete in the young judges class. Her enthusiasm is a great incentive to carry on. If anyone would like to join us in any of our activities please contact Jacqueline Cheetham, email [fellponies@btinternet.com](mailto:fellponies@btinternet.com), or through Facebook, <https://www.facebook.com/pg/fellponyScotland/>

## North East Area Support Group

We began 2019 with a very successful Sunday Lunch event at Hardwick Hall early in February. The food was fabulous and we presented our new 'Awards Scheme' trophies and rosettes after the meal. Please email Vicky Parker ([vix2000en@gmail.com](mailto:vix2000en@gmail.com)) for further details and a Participation Record booklet if you wish to take part this year. I reported on the categories and winners in the FPS Spring Magazine. Our first pony event was a Native Pony Dressage competition held mid March at East Durham College - Houghall Campus. We run this in conjunction with the North East Highland Pony Enthusiast Club. This has become an annual event and was well supported and enjoyed by all, especially as the weather was sunny for most of the day. I am sure this event is to blame for four ladies from our area getting together and competing in the British Dressage Team Quest competition on their Fell ponies. They compete under the team name of 'Fell 'O' Holics' and were placed 24th out of the 56 teams from the Northern Region that participated this year. The 2019 team members were Eileen Walker (Team Captain) riding Rackwood Maggie May, Yvonne Wilkinson riding Holling Brian, Barbara Herd riding Rundales O The Hill and Elizabeth Haynes riding Wansfell Clarrissa. Two team members do not wish to continue into 2020 so if any of you would like to join in the fun, please let me know. We all compete at Entry Level so come on, don't be frightened!

During April we held a Preparing for Showing Study Day at Park House Farm, Baldersdale with FPS Judge and Chairman, Peter Boustead and a very mixed group of Fell ponies and their handlers. It was a very friendly, informal event which

attracted several new members from all corners of our area. The venue, lunch and refreshments throughout the day were kindly provided by Margaret Murray. The day was a great success and I have already been approached about holding a similar event in 2020 so please let me know if this would be of interest to you.

Members of the North East FPS Group were extremely saddened by the passing of one of its ardent supporters, Mr R B Charlton, earlier this year. Bob was in hospital when we held our Hairy Pony Camp weekend early in May but Sarah was determined that our plans should carry on uninterrupted. It was a huge commitment on Sarah's part to allow all of us to take over the stables, barn and fields around the house. She joined us for supper each evening and was present at the prize giving but Bob's input was greatly missed. Many Fell pony people from around the country attended a service to celebrate his life which was held on the 14th June at Linnel Wood. Hairy Pony Camp always run a raffle with the proceeds donated to charity and this year we raised £150. This was donated in equal amounts to Sarah's local RDA at Slayey and The Great North Air Ambulance service. Thank you to all attendees for your generous support.

The summer of 2019 has been a difficult one for many equine event organisers because of the threat of equine influenza. The Jumping Development Course that we planned to take place during August, the school holidays, had to move to another venue and be scaled down when equine flu reached a large area of County Durham. Those who attended had a fabulous time under the instruction of Jan Grant and people and ponies developed in confidence. Sorry no photos as I was one of the participants. The North East FPS Group redistribute any profits to help local shows and sponsor the Fell pony classes at the Native Pony Festival and Durham County Show. We also support the FPS by sponsoring the Gelding Championship at both the FPS Stallion Show and Breed Show.

The Performance Trials, normally held during September at Linnel Wood, was replaced this year by a very special wedding. Jenny Charlton married John Grealish on Saturday 21st September so no native ponies galloping around the cross country course, just a large marquee in front of the house filled with family and friends helping to celebrate the occasion. We would like to wish Mr & Mrs Grealish a very long and happy life together. Not wishing to miss out on our autumn one day event we began to organise our final event for 2019 in memory of Bob Charlton and to be held the following weekend on Sunday 29th September. All proceeds from the day were to be put towards a tree planting project in celebration of Bob's love of trees. Unfortunately the autumn weather, with torrential rain and strong winds, forced us to cancel this event but please look out for our 2020 programme, as we hope to run the Native Pony Performance Day in 2020. The very detailed and fun schedule of classes, prepared by Christopher Grant, will be offered again so you will all get the opportunity to compete in the Hobby Horse Relay and the Native Pony Grand National during 2020.

It's time to start weaning foals and preparing for winter but knowing there is a barn full of good quality feed is a real comfort. The autumn weather has arrived very quickly and mud is beginning to appear in the gateways. I hope you have a peaceful winter and we will see you all again on the first Sunday in February 2020 for lunch and prize giving.

Eileen A Walker (eileen@rackwoodfellponies.co.uk)

## North West Area Support Group

So far 2019 has been another successful year for the North West Area Group. Thank you to everybody who comes along to the events and supports us.

The year started off with our annual Julie Robinson Clinic which was this year held at Inglewood, and it was once again fully booked. Everybody enjoyed themselves and took away plenty of advice and tips.

In July we held our 4th camp at Newton Rigg which was fully booked. There was instruction from Hannah Joel, Jo Birkbeck and Melanie Garner. We also had an informative evening talk with Vyv Wood-Gee about her ride up Helvellyn in memory of Mary Longsdon.

In September a group of Fell Pony Members visited Rawfoot Farm ride to take part in one of their events. It was very well attended and enjoyed by everybody who came along.

Unfortunately, due to the flu inoculation requirements this years Foal & Youngstock show has been cancelled. We are hoping to hold an event in Spring next year - so keep checking.

### Plans for 2020

We will be holding our annual training clinic on 7th March 2020 at Ings. The instructor this year will be Jo Birkbeck, who many of you will know from camp. You can contact [Catherine.wrigley@sky.com](mailto:Catherine.wrigley@sky.com) for booking form and more details.

Camp will once again run in July at Newton Rigg. Dates next year will be 3rd - 5th July. Because it is always over-subscribed, at this stage we are going to take names and offer places on a first come, first served basis. To put your name on the list, email [catherine.wrigley@sky.com](mailto:catherine.wrigley@sky.com)



Cath Wrigley



*North West Area Fell Pony Camp*

We are hoping to arrange a pleasure ride at some point over the summer. More details will follow.

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

Cath Wrigley, Chair

## North West Area Fell Pony Camp

The weekend of 12-14 July was the date of this year's annual fell pony camp for the North West Area Group. This was once again held at Newton Rigg College in Penrith, who have fabulous facilities - enormous stables for the ponies with bedding provided, enormous indoor arena, 60 x 20 outdoor arena, camping area and showers. 23 Fell Ponies and their riders came along to join in the two days of education and fun.

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

Saturday was training day - campers were split into groups and took part in flatwork and jumping lessons there was also time to go for a short hack. Our great coaches - Jo Birkbeck (flatwork) and Hannah Joel (jumping) provided encouragement and informative tuition which everybody enjoyed. The day was rounded off with a very interesting talk by Vyv Wood-Gee about her ride up Helvellyn in memory of Mary Longsdon. This was also part of the Mary's Fells month and we invited non camp attendees to join us for pizza and the talk. A camp fire rounded off a very enjoyable evening.

Sunday was Horse Agility day - something new for us and enjoyed by everybody. There was also some additional jumping tuition and a clear round jumping course for those who wanted it provided by Emma Wrigley. Some campers went for a hack in the surrounding area.

The Horse Agility was provided by Melanie Garner from Heartfelt Horse and provided much enjoyment and bonding with our horses. I think it is safe to say that it was a fun and new addition to camp. A competition rounded off the day.

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.

Dates for next year are 3rd - 5th July. Once again, places are limited and will be offered on a first come first served basis. To lodge an interest and to get further information please email Catherine.wrigley@sky.com

## Midlands East Area Support Group

Midlands East has had another busy year.

Three shows at Gotham provided a good meeting place for Fells and their friends in the Leicester, Nottingham, Northamptonshire region, with the occasional visitor from further afield. We were delighted to welcome Peter Boustead to the July show to judge the Fells and the Boy Blue qualifier.

We are also lucky to have the Southern Breed Show and the Sandringham Show within our area so lots of chances for people to see our lovely Fells.

News of Fells in the region shows them busy in other activities, jumping, hunting, workers, dressage and local rides.

New for this year is our hacking Points form, very easy to complete and hopefully getting new people to join our Points competition.

For the Autumn we have a Social for Fell enthusiasts, with Exmoor and Dales friends joining us in Kings Lynn. Some of our Points Awards will also be given for Norfolk and Suffolk. The rest of the Awards will be given in a celebration on 9 November.

To finish the year we have a Christmas Fun Show, no doubt with Santa and presents!

My thanks go to all the organisers of the events, for their time and hard work, because without them our ponies and riders would not have so much fun and the public would not have a chance to see them.

### AUTUMN ACTIVITIES

**Social and Lunch** for Fell, Dales and Exmoor supporters on Saturday 2 November. 12.30 for 1pm. Ffolkes Arms, Lynn Rd, Hillington, Kings Lynn, Norfolk, PE31 6BJ. Numbers by 25 October. Contact Kate Merry [bkmerry@gmail.com](mailto:bkmerry@gmail.com) or 01788 823215

**Awards Evening**, Saturday 9 November, Bulls Head, East Leake, Loughborough, LE12 6 PG  
Contact Nic Shortland [nicshortland@yahoo.com](mailto:nicshortland@yahoo.com)

**Christmas Fun Show**, Barton Equestrian Centre, Nottingham NG11 0AA, 15 December 2019  
Details from Christine Poole 07817442293

All events and details are posted on FPS Midland Facebook site and the website [www.fps-mesg.co.uk](http://www.fps-mesg.co.uk)

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## Midlands West Area Support Group

Unfortunately due to issues such as flu restrictions and inclement weather conditions, 2019 might prove to be the quietest year ever for the Midlands West Group. We did however manage to run our two annual Fell Shows in the spring and summer.

The Spring Festival of Fells Show held at Burlton Manor Equestrian on 28th April saw a good entry of ponies for our FPS judge Alison Torode from which to make her selection. Many thanks to Debbie Roberts Jones for again organising this popular show. This was to be Debbie's last show at the helm. A bouquet of flowers was presented to Debbie on behalf of the Midlands West Group to thank her for all her hard work and efforts over the years. The Midlands West Committee are currently making plans for next year's show and we will keep everybody posted.

Derbyshire Fell and Dales Show Sunday 23rd June 2019 at Barleyfields EC, Etwall, Derbyshire. Once again the Midlands West Fell Pony Society Area Group joined forces with the Area 5 North Midlands Group of the Dales Pony Society. This year's show was certainly down in entries but there were some good quality ponies forward for FPS judge Colin Turner to inspect.

Please see separate show reports and full results which are available from the Group website, [www.westmids-fellponies.org.uk](http://www.westmids-fellponies.org.uk)

Unfortunately the much anticipated Paws for Mary - Fun Dog Show and Field Party event, scheduled to be held in July and then postponed until August, had to be cancelled due to forecasted heavy rain and high winds. It is hoped we might be able to run this event later in September. We are however all looking forward to our annual presentation of Group Awards to be held hopefully in December. There are also plans in the pipeline to organise a dressage clinic.

We were very sad to hear of the passing of John Glaze earlier in the year who has been a very longstanding and loyal supporter of the Midlands West FPSS Group along with his wife Jo and daughter Vicky. John has supported so many of our events over the years as well as providing generous sponsorship and donations to group funds. A keen rider himself, we are currently looking at finding a way to remember John within the Group. We shall miss John very much.

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

## South West Area Support Group

Lydvale Ellenor and Keren Masters have been enjoying their first season showing, after surgery for Keren and an injury for Ellenor, among other challenges. At their first show in April they not only won both their in-hand and ridden classes, they also went on to take both championships and reserve supreme at the show. At their next show they took the Silver Medal championship, and have continued their well-deserved success as the summer has gone on. Keren and Ellenor are now turning their attention to workers classes.

Keren says, "Ellenor is a very special pony with the best temperament. She is my pony of a lifetime and I know her breeders Bob and Sue McNamara are very proud of her."

Greenholme Georgy Girl, owned by Jess and Lyndsey Tropman, and shown by Molly Simpson, has had a very good year in inhand classes, and has begun her ridden career. Georgy Girl was the champion Fell at the Royal Bath & West Show, Royal Cornwall Show, and the NPS championships, where she went on to take the Supreme M&M inhand title. Georgy Girl was also in the top six in the Cuddy at several shows, along with many other honours.

Molly says, "Everyone involved in Georgy's success is very proud that she is flying the flag for mares and holding her own against the big boys."

Kalmaria Felicity, owned and bred by Karen Hodge, was Reserve Fell champion at the Royal Windsor Show, and went on to take the Fell championship at Devon County Show. Also at Devon County Show, Kalmaria was reserve M&M champion, and was in the top six of the Cuddy. At the Area 25 show, Kalmaria won the Home Produced championship, and was the reserve for the Silver Medal. Kalmaria is only three years old so hopefully she will be gracing the showring for many years to come.

Murthwaite Sarah arrived in Cornwall in March. She had been with Lizzie & Olwen Briant, who wanted Sarah to go to a family home, and she is now with Samantha Trenchard-Grange and her family. Sarah has done well at local shows, including championships at Stithians, NPAC and Chagford Shows.

Samantha says, "We have only very lightly shown Sarah this season but we had a lovely time."

### Other news

Tredellans Petal and Debbie Walters have been doing workers competitions. Debbie tells me that this is her first time jumping competitively for 30 years, and having seen some of her photos I'd say they look to be having a lot of fun.

Greenbeck Back in Black and Alison Steele have been competing at British Dressage and had a good weekend at the Petplan area festival at Bicton in August. With 35 in each class they placed 10th in the Prelim with 66.39%, and qualified for the final in October. In the Novice they were 14th with 65.69%. This combination have also qualified at Prelim and Novice for the Native Pony Championships, later this year. Ralfland Poacher has also moved to Cornwall, and is settling in beautifully with Gemma Taylor and her family.

## Bracklinn Maggie

Just before Christmas Sharron Camp submitted a paragraph and 2 photos to Native Pony Magazine for the feature 'You and your ponies'. Sharron was surprised to get an email to ask her to expand the article and send up to 12 photos to feature Maggie as 'Pony of a Lifetime' in February's issue.

Sharron says, "It was hard to know how to write something that I felt was a tribute to my wonderful pony, but I did managed to send off the number of words required. I was a very proud owner when opening my copy of the magazine to see her in her own feature. I have framed the article and have it hanging on the wall.

"A further surprise was being asked by the FPS if I would like to fill in the form to nominate Maggie for the Scottish Equine Breeders Association pony of the year. Although Maggie left Scotland many years ago she qualifies because she was bred by Ian Smith in Scotland.

"I did get an invite to the lunch, but too far from Dorset to travel and although Maggie didn't win she did get a lovely rosette. Certainly a year not to forget for me and Maggie."



## Future events

Debbie Walters is hoping to organise a Cornish get-together in early 2020. Keep an eye on the Fell Ponies South West facebook page for further details as they emerge. I am not sure if non-Cornish Fell folk will be allowed in, but if any Devonians go to this, remember that it's jam first, then cream.

The Dorset Fell Show is moving to a new venue. The show will be held at the Morton Equestrian Centre, Dorchester, on 3rd May 2020. Details will be on the website <https://dorsetfellshow.co.uk/>

I am hoping to think up something fun to keep us amused during the dark days of winter - again, this will probably be organised through the Fell Ponies South West Facebook page, so watch that space.

If you would like to suggest a future event, please get in touch with me. My email is [whereswoolly4@gmail.com](mailto:whereswoolly4@gmail.com)

Sue Howes

NPS/Baileys Horse Feeds M&M Ridden Fell Pony of the Year,  
HOYS, 2 October 2019



Claire Simpson

- 1 BRACKLINN DYNAMITE, Rider and Owner Mr Brian Williams
- 2 GREENHOLME WARBLER, Rider Mrs Katy Marriott-Payne, Owner Claire Wigley
- 3 LUNESDALE DIXIE, Rider and Owner Christina Gough
- 4 FOALSYKE LITTLE TOPPER, Rider Ms Hope Fisher, Owner Julie Fisher
- 5 SUMMER HOUSE GIDEON, Rider and Owner Frankie Currell
- 6 TARNBECK SEPTIMUS, Rider and Owner Ms Lauren Elliott
- 7 HARDENDALE RAY, Rider Amy Smith, Owner Laura Marshall
- 8 WELLBROW DIPLOMAT, Rider Ms Hayley Reynolds, Owner Zoe Marsden
- 9 TOWNEND STEVIE, Rider and Owner Ms Victoria Casey
- 10 WILDHOEVE OKIDOKI, Rider Ms Clare Fitch, Owner Ruth Roberts

This year for the first time, the Fells and Dales had their own separate classes. Well done to all competitors. It's a fabulous achievement to qualify for this prestigious show.

## Fell Ponies go to School

The school visiting season has resumed!

### Warcop School Visit

On 4th October David, Megan and I visited Warcop Church of England Primary School, near Appleby, with pony Brackenbank Heidi.

Over 80 pupils came out to meet Heidi (in 2 groups) and hear about the Fell Pony and at least they now know that the Fell pony is the native breed local to the area that they live in.

We were blessed with a bright sunny morning and the children were that day dressed up in brightly coloured outfits. Heidi thoroughly enjoyed the grass on the school sports field too!



Katherine Wilkinson

### Great Asby School Visit

Elizabeth Parkin and Sue Millard, entertained Great Asby Endowed Primary School at Ion House on 7th October with pony Keldhead Rosie. The children enthusiastically played a pony version of Simon Says: you use the phrase, "Simon says, 'Stroke this...'" and stroke part of the pony. (Apparently the whole class had tails.)

They all had a chance to get close to Rosie, two at a time, and ask questions about her. The children went away with pony-based quiz-word sheets to complete in the classroom, and Rosie, for having been very well-behaved and sensible, got to finish her treats and nibbles in peace.

### Orton School Visit

Di Slack and Sue Millard are booked to visit Orton C of E Primary on 31st October, with Raisbeck Casino. Orton has a large number of pupils so they are still working out how many groups to divide them into - and they hope the weather will stay fine.

## The Heritage of the Hill-Bred Fell Pony Exhibition

During August almost 9,500 people attended a wonderful exhibition, organised by Libby Robinson, and held at the Rheged exhibition centre near Penrith, one of the largest visitor attractions in Cumbria.

The aim was to demonstrate the importance of the Fell pony as an intrinsic part of the heritage and cultural history of Cumbria; highlighting the strong bond between the ponies, the hill farms and breeders. The exhibition brought to the attention of the wider general public the Fell ponies' way of life on the upland fell as semi-wild ponies living in herds all the year round, through a fabulous visual display featuring ponies in their natural habitat and environment.



Libby Robinson

*Panorama of the exhibition space with art work and photographs of ponies on the fell. There was also a seating area for people to watch the two archive films.*

Stunning photographs, artwork and artefacts were all on display with well written captions and explanations of their use.

Local artists, and those from further afield, displayed their work under the theme of 'Inspiration of the Fell Pony' and archival film was shown of the Heltondale mares and foals being gathered for weaning, and the mares returning to the fell.

Exhibitors were: Katarzyna Okrzesik, Fleur Hallam, David Thompson, The late 'Sarge' Noble, Kayleigh Richardson, Sharon Cash, Alex Jakob-Whitworth, Lee Benson, Juliet Whitworth, Julia Mitchell, Rebecca Willingham and Hannah Taylor.

Claire Simpson

### Libby Reflects on the Exhibition

When I was planning the Heritage of the Hill-Bred Fell Pony Exhibition, my friends Nick and Anna Jones, who ran the Little Salkeld Mill near Penrith and latterly the Ruskin Mill Trust which works with disadvantaged young people, introduced me to Sarah Dunning who is the chair of Westmorland Family Group, Orton, Penrith. She made a very kind offer to stage the exhibition at the Rheged Discovery Centre in August of this year. There is a special connection here, as Rheged employs young



Sue Millard

*Libby Robinson with two of the atmospheric photographs of Fell ponies on the fells.*

people of special needs and supports the local community in many ways.

The exhibition brought together hill farmers and breeders of Fell Ponies, artists and photographers who are working in Cumbria and beyond, who are inspired by the Fell Pony and its contribution to the equine world.

The exhibition was opened on the early evening of the 5th August by John and Sarah Dunning to an appreciative group of guests, which included local press, farmers and hill-breeders, representatives of the Fell Pony Society, Lake District National Park, National Trust, Foundation for Common Land, Federation of Cumbria Commoners, and a prominent researcher in Fell Pony conservation grazing, plus the following sponsors: Cumbria Community Foundation; Friends of the Lake District; Dalefoot Composts; and the Fell Pony Breeders Association.



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*Vivian Griffiths introduces John Dunning of Westmorland Ltd at the opening of the Exhibition with the Fell pony sculpture behind. The print of Fell ponies being sold at Brough Hill Fair, to the left, can be seen in the Colour section of the Magazine.*

John Dunning's speech introduced the surprise entry to the exhibition of a large reproduction of a painting of Brough Hill Fair at the beginning of the First World War. This spirited painting shows the War Office buying wild ponies for work in the Army with Lord Lonsdale looking on. John spoke movingly about his family connections with this picture and how important the Fell Ponies' cultural heritage is to Cumbria.

The stage was now set for 17 days of meeting a large number of visitors, 9,480 in total. Over 30 photographs, historical artefacts and written texts gave them a true insight into the life of hill-bred Fell Ponies, with short archival films of the Heltondale herd and the Drybarrows herd. A felt and wire sculpture of a full size Fell Pony, standing in its moorland grasses and ferns, invited visitors into the hall, and many adults as well as children were seen patting the pony's face as if it was real. Visitors included holidaymakers who had come to the Lake District from as far afield as South Africa, California and Australia, and many local people, all interested in the contribution that the Fell Pony makes to the cultural landscape.

The exhibition's Visitors' Book is full of appreciative comments from people who enjoyed learning about the ponies' lives and the challenges of running a hill farm with a herd extensively grazing out on open common land - a traditional way of breeding which is under threat as the patterns of our farming culture are changing.

I would like to thank all those who gave support and encouragement to allow the exhibition to take place: Bill and Isobel Potter, Ted Potter and family, David Thompson, Samantha Smith, Kathryn Savage, Sarah Elizabeth James, my brother Vivian Griffiths, my daughter Fleur and by no means last my partner David. We all made a great team together to help celebrate and protect this wonderful native pony, The Fell Pony.

Libby Robinson

## Greenholme awarded HOYS Fell Breeder of the Year award 2019

Great news for the Greenholme stud who found out in September that they have been awarded the HOYS Fell Breeder of the Year award. John Potter wrote: "It wouldn't have happened without so many wonderful owners and riders of Greenholme ponies, enjoying them and doing so well in the HOYS qualifiers. Good luck for next week. Thanks from all at the Greenholme stud."

## RBST Watchlist shows resilience of native breed sector

A decade on from the last recession, Britain's native livestock breeds are proving resilient in the face of economic challenge. The main exceptions in the 2019 Watchlist, the RBST says, are some horse breeds, especially the iconic heavy horses; Suffolks, Shires and Clydesdales, amongst the hardest hit by the recession, with many breeders calling a halt when the market for youngstock fell dramatically. The Fell Pony remains in the "Vulnerable" Category.

## FPS Calendars for 2021 and 2022

I have received some excellent photos of Fell ponies this year. (The deadline for submissions was Monday October 16th 2019.) The rules for the 2022 Calendar will be 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. Remember that only two professional photographs can be selected by the judges and that such images cannot be included in the calendar competition. If you do submit a professionally taken photograph please make sure that you identify which photograph it is, together with a copyright 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: michael.goddard2014@gmail.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 next year's entries showing off our most fantastic breed. Thank you.

Michael Goddard.

## British Dressage Para and RDA championships

Annie Wordley riding Brackenbank Flash Harry qualified to ride at the British Dressage para and RDA championships at Solihull, where she came third, with only three points separating the first three riders.



## Learning With Fells 2020

The Society will consider applications from adult as well as junior members. Priority will be given to those aged 10 - 18 years of age. It is hoped that sufficient numbers will come forward for visits to 2/3 studs involved this year.

If any members of the Society would like to take part, please can they contact the office by 30 April 2020. 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 two visits are attended.

## Wildness Survey

David Murray has given the FPS an online link to an equine Wildness Survey, for which he would appreciate your input. It is available at: <http://equine-wildness.uk/questionnaire.html> and your completed survey responses can be returned by email to [equine-wildness@hotmail.com](mailto:equine-wildness@hotmail.com)

The aims of the survey can be read in full on his web site, <http://equine-wildness.uk/survey-aim.html>

## Tara Robinson and Hedgethorpe June Delight



Tara Robinson and Hedgethorpe June Delight won the Mountain and Moorland inhand at NPS championships and stood reserve champion. She also won the M&M inhand at Sedgfield show and went on to stand reserve champion, qualifying for the NPS M&M inhand final for 2020 and the Northern breeders.

## Emilia Allison and Townend Misty



My daughter Emilia Allison age 13 & her Fell pony Townend Misty have just won the 80cm & 90cm categories for British Showjumping club juniors in Scotland! This pony is an absolute dream. So many kids would comment & bully Emilia about how she wasn't a "proper" show jumping pony, yet she went on to prove them all wrong! It would make Emilia's day if she got a mention in the magazine & Facebook page for their success in 2019! Her own Facebook page is @EA\_showjumping andinstagram is @ea\_showjumping.

# Fell Commons and Rights to Graze Fell Ponies

Fell rights are vital to our hill breeders in Cumbria and Lancashire, and this article was proposed in FPS Council in July 2019. As Editor, I took responsibility for compiling the information.

This article is not a statement of law. It is a brief overview of commons and rights, to try to shed some light on how the fell commons work, and to explain why the pony herds which run on the commons remain relatively few in number. Admittedly, the overall picture is not always easy to understand. Even people who own property with fell rights may only be familiar with the law for their own area, and those rights vary between different commons. I have talked to several Fell pony breeders, all of whom have experience of running ponies on shared commons. Some of them have advised or dealt with the Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) or Natural England (NE). Most preferred not to be named here.

There is a great deal of information available online, such as Government Guidance on Managing Common Land, the DEFRA Database of Common Land, Commons Registers, Common Land Grazing Rights (for farm subsidies), Commons Associations and Federations. I have given numbered references throughout to the places where I found the information, from books and from online sources. Please use the numbers in the text to find the references listed at the end.

## History & Tradition

The origins of common land-use are extremely ancient, pre-dating the Norman conquest. Woodland, riversides, marshes, moors, downlands, peat bogs and “wastes” were all economically important. The “open field” system of agriculture provided each family with its own strip of land near the village to grow vegetables, fruits and grain. Milking cattle, goats and sheep, working oxen and horses, grazed together on a large communal meadow within easy walking distance of the village. Other livestock were turned onto the common land beyond the meadow. These could have included heifers and dry cows; wether sheep, ewes with lambs; geese; goats; and - of most interest from our point of view - the young horses or ponies, breeding mares, or horses or ponies not in work. (Fowler, 2002<sup>1</sup>)

Access to the common land was shared out among the people who lived in the village, and the resulting “rights” were overseen by its Manor Court. One of the last surviving working examples of this ancient management system in England is at Orton (Cumbria), where our FPS AGM is held. Laxton in Nottinghamshire still has a court and a working open field system; the New Forest has monthly court meetings.

The point about fell rights is that they shared out the village’s grazing on a reasonable basis. “Common land” then did not mean “public access”. It meant that although the Lord(s) of the Manor owned the land, the grazing and other rights were held by villagers “in common” - ie, by the people as a group.

However, various Enclosures Acts from the 17th century onward enabled rich families to fence off common land and turn it into private property.

The first parliamentary enclosure act, dating from 1767, was for 158 acres on Kendal Fell. An act to enclose a substantial area at Orton was passed in 1769, but

took 10 years to accomplish because of “major problems”<sup>ii</sup>. 91 people in the parish of Ravenstonedale had also signed a petition which successfully opposed an attempt by Sir James Lowther, as the lord of the manor, to enclose the commons. However Bolton, near Appleby, preferred to enclose its common to prevent overgrazing by cattle being droved south from Scotland.

The destruction of the ancient system was a huge shock to rural communities, as pithily outlined in this verse of an old poem:

*The law locks up the man or woman  
Who steals the goose from off the common,  
But leaves the greater villain loose  
Who steals the common from the goose.*

Principal beneficiaries during enclosures in Westmorland were the Earls of Thanet and Earls of Lonsdale, who were possibly speculating by buying the lordships of commons and enclosing them<sup>iii</sup>. Parcels or “allotments” of land enclosed from the common were awarded to individuals but also to organisations - churches, chapels, schools, overseers of the poor and private charities, but enclosure did not benefit the majority of country people. Those who could not find work near their villages had to move to an industrial town or city, and labour there - a “country-to-town” drift that is still ongoing today.

The farmers who use their rights today to run sheep, cattle and ponies on fell commons are keeping up a tradition, which is at least a thousand years old, of living intelligently “with” the land.

## **Commons in England today**

The Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food (MAFF) carried out a biological survey between 1982 and 1993, of common land which had been registered in 1970. In that survey, 7,052 commons were listed in England. (DEFRA Database of Common Land<sup>iv</sup>) These data form a snapshot of the registers of common land at that time.

The Government defines common land as “land owned by one or more persons where other people, known as ‘commoners’, are entitled to use the land or take resources from it.” (Government Guidance on Managing Common Land<sup>v</sup>) The Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000<sup>vi</sup> gave the public the “right to roam” across many of these uncultivated areas, though not to behave recklessly or disturb livestock or wildlife. As an example, 80% of the Howgill Fells is now designated as public access land, one of the highest percentages in England.

In 2001 MAFF was renamed the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA), and it no longer receives amendments to the Commons Registers, so the most up to date versions are now held by local authorities, eg Cumbria Commons Registration Service<sup>vii</sup> and Lancashire County Council.<sup>viii</sup>

## **Commons in Cumbria and Lancashire**

The Federation of Cumbria Commoners now lists 630 commons in Cumbria (Map of Cumbria’s Commons<sup>ix</sup>), ranging in size from less than half a hectare to well over 3,000ha. The 5 single largest named commons are Dufton (4,616ha), Coniston/Dunnerdale/Seathwaite (4,552ha), Brackenthwaite (4,256ha), Caldbeck

(3,726ha) and Eskdale (3,071ha). In all there are 41 commons over 1,000ha in size, though where commons adjoin one another the tracts of ground are very much larger. These are all on high ground, for example on the Howgills, on the Pennines, and on the High Street ridge between Ullswater and Haweswater.

43 of the commons in Cumbria and 1 in Lancashire are designated as Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSIs). 25 commons lay within the Lake District National Park as it was before changes of boundary in 2017.

6 commons are in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, and these are all in the North Pennines AONB.

## **Databases and Registers of Common Land**

### *Commons with rights to graze horses or ponies*

161 commons in Cumbria and Lancashire had fell rights registered to graze horses or ponies, often alongside cattle, sheep, pigs, poultry and goats:

141 commons were registered in Cumbria (129 in Cumberland or Westmorland, and 12 in South Lakeland, “Lancashire north of the Sands”)

20 commons in Lancashire.

161 commons in total. (DEFRA Database of Common Land [2012, *data from 1993*]<sup>x</sup> and the Commons Register 2000<sup>xi</sup>)

## **The 2006 Commons Act**

Rights have always varied from common to common because the local laws developed by tradition, from the needs of a particular village or villages, without any overarching legal guidance at national level. The intention in 2006 was to bring the registered rights of 1970 up to date, and theoretically there might then have been an increase in the number of pony grazing rights discovered, proved and registered. However, by 2009 it seems that the process was taking very much longer than had been expected so the target date of 2010 for completion “became unrealistic”.

## **Basic Payment Scheme subsidy**

The Rural Payments Agency manages the EU subsidies which are given to farms. No financial support is given directly to animals, whether housed, or in enclosed fields, or on commons. Subsidies are based solely on the land itself. The most recent data I can find about commons are in a PDF document detailing farm Basic Payment Scheme (BPS) claims, made by farmers in 2017 for 2018 payment on the area of land they farmed, including their Common Land Grazing Rights<sup>xii</sup>.

These rights are brought into the land calculation as explained below.<sup>xiii</sup>

## **Livestock Units (for BPS)**

At the moment, graziers claim BPS subsidy for their share of a common by declaring their Common Land Grazing Rights on it. The process is more complex than claiming directly for their area of enclosed farm land (in-by fields). A BPS claim for shared grazing on a common is expressed first as rights, then converted to

Livestock Units, then translated into hectareage for the purposes of the subsidy claim. (Commons eligibility checks 2019<sup>xiv</sup>) This is where things become complicated.

The 2018 Livestock Unit values, for farmers to calculate their BPS subsidy claims for common rights, are as follows:

Livestock type	Livestock Unit value
(BPS Rules 2018 <sup>xv</sup> )	
Cattle	1.00
Horses	1.00
Donkeys	0.60
Heifers or Stirks	0.60
Ponies	0.60
Pigs	0.30
Goats	0.15
Sheep	0.15
Geese	0.04
Poultry (over 6 months)	0.02

*Livestock Units (LUs) are purely theoretical.* They are used to calculate the nominal area of common land a farm might claim, for its BPS subsidy. They are not the same thing as Common Land Grazing Rights which define what animals can be grazed on the land, and how many.

Rights making up (for example) 10LUs may look as though you could graze 10 horses, or 10 cattle, or 66 sheep, or 16 ponies, but the grazing rights themselves still define what you can graze on a particular fell common.

Applications for farm BPS subsidies reveal that in Cumbria in 2017, only 63 commons were noted as having rights registered for ponies - many fewer than the documented “paper” rights in 1993.

### **Common Land Grazing Rights**

Common Land Grazing Rights are now permanently attached to property; eg, to a house, a farm or a parcel of land.

Commons are subject to agreements with all the commoners who share the grazing, and to any agreements they have signed up to with Natural England (NE). Existing grazing rights are used to calculate BPS subsidy (see above).

Theoretically DEFRA and NE might countenance an exchange of sheep or cattle rights for ponies. However that still depends on the existing arrangements for that common, and in practice if there have not been any pony grazing rights registered it is unlikely the other graziers would agree.

### **Selling or Leasing Common Land Grazing Rights**

You can only sell rights these days by selling them with land or property, unless you are selling or transferring them to either Natural England or a Commons

Council, or anyone named in an order made by the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs.

Grazing rights that are not being used can be leased to another person for 2 years maximum. The lease must be renewed at the end of the 2 years, even if nothing in the agreement has changed. (Government Guidance on Managing Common Land<sup>xvi</sup>)

## Local agreements

DEFRA and Natural England oversee the various levels of Stewardship Agreements that apply to farms and to commons. Commoners and landowners can set up a Commons Council to manage commons. Commons Councils are statutory groups: they are recognised by law, and can make legally binding rules for how people use the common land.

Commoners and landowners can also set up voluntary groups called Commons Associations, which usually have no legal power and rely on their members to agree about how the common should be managed. They can however sign legally binding agreements or guarantees about how members must treat the common, if all members agree. A joint agreement among graziers to put their common land into Higher Level Stewardship, for example, can over-ride previous or traditional arrangements and become enforceable in law.

## Landowners

The largest landowners include the Lake District National Park Authority and United Utilities. Helvellyn, for example, is shared between the Lake District National Park Authority on the east side, and United Utilities on the west. Other owners in Cumbria include the National Trust; Natural England; the Ministry of Defence; the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds; and private estates such as Lowther.

Landowners may own, for instance, the mineral rights on the common, or the game shooting rights, without having any actual rights to put livestock onto the land. They are involved in making any agricultural agreements which affect the common. The landowner of a common can take action to stop anyone from exceeding their rights. (Government Guidance on Managing Common Land<sup>xvii</sup>)

Natural England (NE) is an executive non-departmental public body, sponsored by DEFRA, and acts as the government's adviser for the natural environment in England. On any registered common land, or town or village greens with rights of common, NE can for instance stop someone:

- grazing livestock on land without the right to do so
- grazing a type of animal that they don't have permission or rights to graze
- exceeding their commons rights
- removing or cutting vegetation without legal authority. There are other unauthorised activities.

(Government Guidance on Managing Common Land<sup>xviii</sup>)

## Fell pony Hill Breeders

The Fell Pony Society's definition of a Hill Breeder (2018) is recorded in Council Minutes: "The following definition was agreed. To have 'rights on common land to graze and be an active grazier.'" (July 2018<sup>xix</sup>) There is no definition of how many ponies constitute "a herd."

It should be pointed out that the actual numbers of registered ponies are healthy, and registrations of foals have been rising for the past four years<sup>xx</sup> (Stud Book entries 2015 - 2018). Numbers of foals born to those hill herds are also increasing.

### Foals registered in the UK (Fell section of Grassroots database<sup>xxi</sup>)

	2015	2016	2017	2018
Hillbred	82	89	107	110
Total UK	203	209	240	276
% Hillbred	40%	43%	45%	40%

There were 19 stud prefixes on the 2018 list of active graziers, and the 2019 list will include at least 4 new or revived ones (possibly 6; numbers to be confirmed on completion of foal registrations). Hill bred foal numbers should rise again in 2020 when the additional herds' foals should be added to the count.

## A new herd?

If you have taken-in the facts given in this article so far you will realise that for anyone to establish a new fell-going herd of ponies they must -

- either have enough money to buy and run property that has rights on common land,
- or be able to lease existing, unused grazing rights
- and renew leased rights on a 2-year basis.

The common rights would have to include a specific, or exchangeable, right to graze ponies. It depends entirely on the arrangements for a particular common, whether graziers can swap cattle or sheep rights for ponies. Long-term leasing depends on the continuing goodwill of the original rights-holder.

Rights to graze ponies on common land may still exist which are not being used. However, it will involve difficult and lengthy research (time and money) just to find out where they are, let alone whether they have lapsed or what constraints or agreements are in place.

## Other considerations

### Examples

Grazing rights can be extinguished by commoners' agreements, eg on Crosby Ravensworth Fell the commoners decided in the 1980s to remove rights for horses and ponies. Rights can also be extinguished by landowner actions. The Ministry of Defence has applied to "de-register" its 4,500 hectares of common land (Murton, Hilton and Warcop Fells) near Warcop training area, having already bought-out the rights on adjacent areas in 2002.<sup>xxii</sup>

There may be unwanted side effects of new arrangements imposed on a

common, even with the best of intentions. NE's acting area manager for Cumbria said in August 2019 (in a longer statement about common land management), "Natural England are supportive of Fell ponies as an important part of the cultural heritage of the area and for the conservation benefits they can bring through appropriate grazing. However, too many animals in the wrong place can damage upland habitats."<sup>xxiii</sup> This pressure on habitat may not necessarily be due to obvious overstocking in the sense of "too many animals for the total area of the common". Examples cropped up in conversations with hill breeders:

Walkers and trail-bike riders may disturb grazing livestock, whether they mean to or not, and that can discourage the animals (not just ponies) from using the full area of a common. Particularly where there are fenced-off sections, the stock can become heafed to a smaller area and the concentration may cause more damage to the ground than they would have done if they had been undisturbed.

Fenced areas may compel grazing animals to travel, for example between grazing and watering places, through a more constricted "funnel", causing eroded tracks and poaching. Also where new areas are fenced, they may create a barrier across the animals' normal routes to shelter in bad weather, which might be a welfare issue in a severe winter.

Winter feeding of animals may be restricted on a common to prevent spilled forage smothering low growing flora. In that case, feeding must be done elsewhere, eg on concrete "pads" near the farm. That, however, encourages the stock to move daily from their preferred grazing and sheltering areas back to the farm to feed, and the traffic again can cause erosion.

## **Implications for the Fell pony on the fells**

The FPS - and the Fell Pony Breeders' Association (FPBA), which has members on FPS Council - have a major role in supporting the existence of the free roaming Fell pony herds. FPS Council is made up almost entirely of pony breeders, and six members of Council are hill breeders (Bybeck, Greenholme [2], Lownthwaite, Townend, Wellbrow). FPS is in touch with Commoners' associations and Commoners' councils. A Society Council member attends meetings of the Federation of Cumbria Commoners. The FPS Secretary has to attend certain meetings with DEFRA and Natural England.

Although NE and DEFRA have an interest in the management of the commons, with the best will in the world they can't be in close contact with these areas of land every day. The people who have the most information on which to base decisions are the people who do see it and use it regularly, ie, the graziers and the Fell pony hill breeders. Some have already achieved reasonable agreements with regulatory bodies. If we can document and share what is working for them, including how to deal with civil problems such as public access and stock disturbance, we can advise people who need similar arrangements elsewhere.

Pony presence on hill commons depends on agreements and good relations between all the graziers on a common, as well as with Natural England. As one of my interviewees summed it up: "It's a shared fell, that's what 'common' means - you have to keep in with your neighbours!"

Sue Millard

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## Fell from Coast to Coast

I'm still coming down from cloud nine and the shock of making it across the Trans Pennine Trail with my trusty Fell pony Billy (Waverhead Bombadere). We rode from the west to the east coast of the UK in eight days and smashed my £5k fundraising target for Macmillan Cancer Support.



My Dad was unfortunately given a terminal diagnosis around Christmas and Macmillan have been a great support not only to him but to all of us.

Dad ignited my love for horses as a child. He lives on the midpoint of the trail. I fell for Fells as a teenager riding on the trail for Rocky's Western Adventure trails centre on home-bred Fell ponies. All of this led me to deciding to do the TPT from Southport to Hornsea for a wonderful cause.

Neither Billy nor I had ever done anything like it before! It was a daunting task, not only the actual trek itself but the organisation, route planning and logistics of needing so many helpers along the way.

It was a hard slog at times, particularly on the sixth day where I was in pain and Billy was over tired and I did seriously begin to wonder whether we could carry on. It was a real low point. We were just by Drax power station on a long and busy high-speed road at rush hour and we still had another 10 miles to go that day. I pulled off the road slightly for a rest for both of us, to let Billy eat some grass and to give my legs a stretch and have a breather.

My ankle was throbbing, as were my wrists in which I have tendonitis, and my outlook was bleak. We had a further two full days to go before we reached the end of what was both an adventure and a test of endurance. Was it fair to ask Billy to carry on, knowing he would, just because I asked? I was beating myself up with guilt because my lack of concentration and hardly any signage. The day before we had trekked 15 un-necessary miles, taking our total in one day to 46 miles, a ridiculous distance for one day. 25 to 30 mile days were a massive achievement so 46 miles had really taken it out of us both. We were both zombies and I had a little break down. I videoed myself talking about where we were and how I was feeling, no filter - broken. But we had to push on otherwise it would be dark before we reached our overnight stop. We had no choice but to grin and bear it, we couldn't quit on the side of a road.

Before mounting Billy to set off again I quickly checked in on our Facebook page to see such encouraging comments and that the total in the just giving pot continued to rise - it was this, the support from our supporters and followers that made me decide to share my video. They had been with us every step of the way, so encouraging and wonderful that it was only fair to share with them how low we both were at that point.

If we were going to bow out then I wanted to do it gracefully. So, I took some painkillers and we very slowly made our way through the next 10 miles together. We carried on for a few more miles before we reached a quieter part of the route

allowing me to check in on the page again, and the total had increased greatly, by hundreds of pounds. The positive encouragement was there in abundance and it certainly gave us the boost we needed there and then.

For the first few days of our trek I had really enjoyed and even cherished the solitude but by this point, in pain and exhausted, I needed company.

Gill, a great friend of mine and one of the support team was waiting for us at the overnight stop, with her lovely pony Alf who much to Billy's delight, greeted him enthusiastically.

I was still concerned about Billy the following morning, but Alf and Gill took the weight and carried the heavy saddle bags that Billy had been laden with for the previous 6 days. As soon as we started to trot, I knew I had no need for worry, Billy was back on form, rested and lighter. Trotting happily and fully sound.

The following day was our last day and I was slightly saddened to think that after 8 months of planning and it being such an amazing experience it would soon come to an end. Of course there were the lows, including the horse lorry that we were all staying in each night breaking down half way through the trek, but there had been many highs and many memories made.

We were only 20 miles from the finish line but our last day started with 6 miles of roads before reaching the TPT again just outside of Hull and another four before we were at our lunch stop - the lorry, where my husband Mark and Julia would meet us for lunch including hay for the 'boys' Billy and Alf. I checked the just giving page just before we left to see that we had reached our target of £5000 for Macmillan. I was happy-dancing in glee, but we still had to finish our coast to coast trek.

The remaining few miles to the finish line were a blur, I was both relieved and overwhelmed that all of our efforts had paid off and that we could make such a difference to Macmillan and so many people out there affected by cancer.

As we turned the final corner and could see the TPT marker at Hornsea seafront my eyes welled up. I did not expect to be so emotional, but we had done it! We were here, we really had just ridden for 8 days from coast to coast, Southport to Hornsea.



As we got closer, I could see a lovely welcoming party, but the biggest thing was, Dad was there! I had not expected him to be there, I am told now it was always to be a surprise and what a lovely surprise it was. As my Dad hugged me and as I hugged my wonderful pony who had carried me all those miles and kept me safe, the tears of joy and relief overflowed.

We met lots of really lovely and amazing people on our travels, every single overnight stop was offered free and we were made to feel very welcome everywhere we went. Our sponsors were all crucial to each stage of our

trek providing us with items and sponsorship and help in many forms. My team of helpers were absolutely amazing, and all played a key role to the success of our mission, including one who had to stay at home for the actual event much to her frustration. Without a single one of these companies and individuals and supporters Billy and I would have failed before starting. It really was a massive team effort and an experience I will cherish for life.

I can see why a horse and rider have not done the length of the TPT before. There are so many big roads to tackle to join up parts of the trail that do not have access for horses. I will forever be in Billy's debt for keeping me safe over all of those miles, with lorries speeding by us.



Billy was awarded the Duke of Edinburgh prize for driving this year and although most of our trek was ridden, on the most built up part of the route (Liverpool, Widnes, Warrington) I opted for us to go in the carriage as there is "more of us" for other road users to notice, keeping us a little safer on some very fast roads.

At one point we were in the third lane of a four lane large roundabout and Billy not batting an eye nor twitching an ear, only concerned to get where we were going and keeping us both safe. He really is a pony in a million and I never take his bravery for granted. What an absolute star he is!

Massive thanks to our sponsors, without which all of this wouldn't have been possible:

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I plan to write a book about our trek and our experiences in time too so watch this space. Remember you can donate here -

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Sarah Bartlett

## Ponies Past: Linnel Riddler 1996 - 2019



Linnel Riddler joined Rackwood Fell Ponies as a stud stallion in April 2015. He was 19 years old and a true gentleman with my ladies. My husband, Donald, enjoyed handling him and they soon developed a very special friendship. My thanks must go to Michael Woods (Lathomdale) for allowing me to have him after 15 years of ownership. He sired 17 Rackwood foals (8 colts and 9 fillies) as well as a few others to visiting mares whilst living on my hillside at Hamsterley overlooking the forest.

Unfortunately he injured his back covering a mare in July 2019 and was put to sleep as a consequence. He covered 3 Rackwood mares earlier this year so I am expecting three more Riddler foals in 2020.

He had a friendly, gentle nature and loved a cuddle and a scratch so will be remembered affectionately by all of us, but as I have 7 young fillies by him, he will never be forgotten.

Eileen A Walker

## Peahill Basil 1996 - 2019

All of us at Murthwaite Green were devastated to lose Basil suddenly to colic in April. He was our one in a million pony - handsome, kind, funny, mischievous, stubborn and opinionated....we wouldn't have wanted him any other way.

Basil was such a special pony and brought hours of pleasure to so many people both through the riding school, and through his many followers on his Facebook Page. He appeared on Countryfile ridden by Matt Baker and was also part of a televised medieval wedding parade at Muncaster Castle. He made the trip to Windsor in 2016 to take part in HM The Queen's birthday celebrations, and has been the Fell Pony Society's 'cover pony'. He was also the only pony that 90 year old



Janet would ride every week until she sadly passed away last year.

To us, he was part of the family. He has given us so much, and we feel honoured to have had him in our lives for as long as we did. There aren't enough words or sentiments to express how much we will miss him and how grateful we are for all he has given us over the years.

We have had such fun, you wonderful, wonderful boy. We feel honoured to have had you in our lives and hope you

enjoyed your years with us as much as we have.

In way of honouring his memory I have donated an annual trophy to be awarded to a Veteran Fell Pony for achievements over the year. It will be called the Peahill Basil Veteran Fell Pony Award. See the facing page for details of how to apply.

This will always be my favourite photo of Basil - meeting HM the Queen, when ridden by my son James Wrigley.

R.I.P Basil - you will never be forgotten.

Cath Wrigley

## Peahill Basil Veteran Fell Pony Award

Presented by Cath Wrigley in memory of Peahill Basil.

To be awarded internationally to a single registered Fell Pony, for achievements as a veteran 15 years +.

The trophy will be presented annually at the AGM, to be held for one year. Participating members must apply to the FPS Office in writing to include a paragraph stating why they think they should win the prize, and to include a photo(s), no more than 3. (The points award form should not be used to apply.) Applications need not necessarily involve showing but can be other experiences, and the 'achievement' need not necessarily be in the current year.

All ponies must be registered Fell Ponies and the owner must be a member of The Fell Pony Society, of the Netherlands Fell Pony Society, or of an FPS-recognised Overseas Branch. It has been agreed that nominations for this award can also be made by third parties.

If you think the achievements of a veteran pony should be recognised please send your nomination as above to the FPS Secretary before 31st December. This can be by post or email.

## Ralfland Jewel 2005 - 2019



We bought Jewel at the FPS sale in October 2018. She was everything her previous owner had said, kind, easy going, good in traffic, a joy to be around. She was bought with the intention of breaking her to ride once she had her foal. In May she produced a beautiful filly and was a wonderful mum, keen to show us her beautiful baby at all times. Tragically on the 1st June she showed signs of being unwell. In less than 5 hours we had to put her to sleep. Her foal was only 18 days old. Words cannot express the shock of the events of that evening; those who have lost their ponies will know the feeling. She has however left us with a wonderful filly. We cannot thank Bradlee James enough for the loan of his wonderful foster mare Molly at a time when he was grieving the loss of her foal. Nor can we forget Linda Johnston's offer of Cassandra following the equally tragic loss of her foal Pandora. Onwards and upwards, we will never forget you Jewel, RIP sweet girl.

Tony and Kath

*Drawing by Julia Mitchell*



## Greenholme Elaine 2010 - 2019

Pippa only had a very short life but she was an amazing mare, full of life and character. Sadly she had to be put to sleep in February 2019 after a 3 year battle to get her recovered from a bad foaling in June 2016 in which she lost her little colt. Despite all the ups and downs in her life she never let it get to her and no matter what you asked from her she would give it

her best. She loved life and going out for in hand walks seeing what was going on at the farm, or a stroll up the hill looking down Glenisla or just a chance to grab a mouthful of grass whenever possible. The one thing that she did hate in life was speed cyclists. She couldn't quite understand why there was no noise and they crept upon her.

Since her bad foaling, she was never going to be put through that again, so I decided to break her to the cart. I bought myself a second hand harness made for Fells as she wasn't quite pony or cob size. I long reined her and she took to it as if she was born to do this. She would long rein in the full harness but I never got as far as getting the cart on her which I am sure she would have loved.

Last summer I took Pippa and my other fell gelding Bybeck Jack on holiday to Brodie near Nairn in Morayshire for a week with my friend Sandra and her two ponies. This is the first time that Pippa had really been ridden and she had a ball and I think if allowed would have hacked for ever more and clearly enjoyed every minute. We took both ponies to the beach where she had a good old roll in the sand and I am so glad I did that as I have some of the best memories of her. Sadly in the last six weeks before her death she became sad and clearly in discomfort. There was no more we could do for her and the decision was made to let her go and run free with the wee man that she never got to meet.

She was one very special girl not only to us but to the many people that came across her in her short life, and she will never be forgotten.

Marlyn McInnes

## Scotgate Solitaire 1990 - 2019



I really cannot find the words to express the loss of my first ever Fell Pony Scotgate Solitaire 'Sparkie' whom I was so fortunate to have owned for 23 years.

I purchased Sparkie as a six year old in the summer of 1996 having first encountered her the year before at Newport Show where she was being shown under saddle by a close friend of mine for her current owner at that time. Before the week was out Sparkie was happily settling into our home.

Bred by Keith and Joan Dorman by Greenfield Gay Lad (FP15B) out of their home bred mare Scotgate Lucinda (16636), Sparkie and I had so many wonderful years competing in both ridden and in hand showing classes. We also enjoyed many Midlands West Group events such as pleasure rides, the annual Leg It (trotting races) and Sparkie, along with her long time Fell companion Breeze, often featured in events where we needed demonstration ponies - both ponies taking part with their usual good

grace and humour.

Owning Sparkie changed me forever and has brought so many friends into my life. I have been overwhelmed with the kind messages of sympathy and support over the loss of this wonderful pony. I loved her without measure and my life without her is now diminished but I am so very grateful for all the countless memories which we shared together on what has been a journey of a lifetime. Unfortunately that journey ended on August 24th but I was so grateful to be with her during her peaceful and dignified final moments and very thankful that she has been laid to rest at home. Words will never sufficiently describe my pony of a lifetime.

Sleep well my angel - I can never thank you enough.

Diane Key

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*Breed show reserve champion Townend Fancy. (S: Heltondale Bonzo Boy, D: Townend Bridie II.)  
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Sarah-Jane Morey

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Traditional ridden class at the South Cumbria  
Show, Greenholme Guardsman*



Sarah-Jane Morey

*Winner of the Novice class at the South Cumbria  
Show and also of the Packway Bellman Trophy  
at the Breed Show, Bracklinn Sam*

## Foal and Youngstock Show Cancelled

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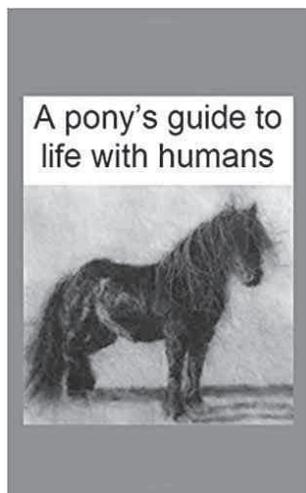
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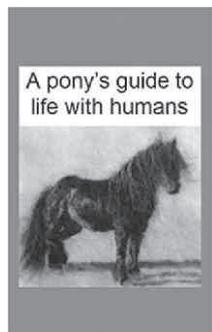
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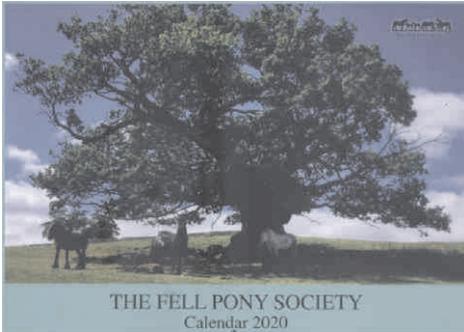
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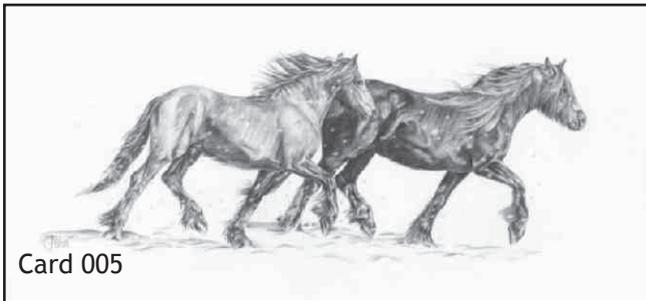
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## Lady Louise Windsor & Balmoral Phantom

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The carriage was the Queen's French Pony Chaise, which was originally built in 1875 and was given to the then Prince of Wales, who later became King Edward VII. The young Princess Elizabeth (17) drove the Chaise at the first Windsor Horse show in 1943, which was held to raise funds to support the war effort under the National campaign 'Wings for Victory'.

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