

FPS-MESG

Spring 2024 Newsletter

Since the last Newsletter, we held our annual AGM on 11th November 2023, where ideas for Events etc were discussed for 2024; please see below for Events with some dates confirmed and some yet TBC.

On Sunday 10th December 2023, Christine Poole and her Show Team held their annual Christmas Show at Barton Equestrian Centre in Nottingham. Although the weather was awful during the weeks leading up to the Show, the day of the Show was milder and drier! I think it's safe to say that everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves and the highlight for the children was a surprise visit from Santa who distributed gifts. Full results can be found on our Facebook pages and on our website.

Our Annual Points Awards celebration, will take place on 2nd March 2024 from 6-11pm at Clifton Community Centre, Nottingham. We're hoping to see lots of our Members there to enjoy celebrating everyone's achievements with their ponies in 2023. Any members who completed the FPS 96 miles Challenge will also be presented with their rosettes at this event. Don't forget: your Points can be collected from 1st January to 31st December this year. It would be great to have more people entering these Awards which is a great way to celebrate your achievements with your horse(s) and pony(s) over the year.

Events for 2024

FPS-MESG Midlands East Horse & Pony Show, Gotham, Nottingham. NG11 0LE

Our confirmed dates are: 26th May, 14th July & 8th September. The Christmas Show, which will be held at Barton Equestrian Centre, Nottingham, will take place on 8th December.

Sunday 21st April - Ride & Picnic by kind invitation of Judy & Nick Hill to be held at their home in Lutterworth

Sunday 9th June - Sandringham Pony & Horse Show.

September TBC - Social Event including a lunch, followed by a talk by David Murray regarding his 'Walking with Fells'.

WH & Showing Clinic - Date TBC

Stud visit - Date TBC

Finally, we have some exciting news for 2024. We are joining our neighbouring Support Group, The Midlands West for a 'Midlands Fell Pony Show'. The Show will be taking place on Sunday 16th June and the venue will be the Gotham Show Ground, Gotham, Nottingham NG11 0LE. This Show is for Registered Fell Ponies only and exhibitors must be a current member of the Fell Pony Society. It was decided to hold this Show as part of the celebration of the Fell Pony Society's Area Support Group's Silver Jubilee year. We're hoping lots of FPS Members will come along to support us from all over the UK, so please do let all of your Fell Pony owning friends know. For further details, please keep an eye on our Facebook Group pages.

I hope you all have an enjoyable 2024 with your ponies.

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