



NPS Scotland

WISHING ALL OUR MEMBERS A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR - JANUARY 2017

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WELCOME FROM OUR CHAIRMAN

Happy New Year



Welcome to the first NPS Scotland newsletter of 2017.

NPS Scotland wound up a busy and successful 2016 with our new In-Hand Show which was held at Netherton Equestrian in mid-October. It was well supported for its first year and was a very relaxed day and thanks must go to our judges, stewards and competitors for making it such a good event. We have decided to continue with this show and you will find its scheduled date later in the newsletter.

2017 starts with our AGM, Performance Awards and pre-season lunch at the Huntingtower Hotel, Perth on Sunday 5th February. Lunch tickets can be booked via Entrymaster or by using the application form on the website. Please support this event as not only is it your chance to put points forward at the AGM, it is a good way of catching up with people before the season starts.

We are in the process of re-vamping the Performance Awards and it will be rebranded as 'The NPS Scotland/Harbro Points Scheme' and more details will be available shortly. Please take part in this Scheme in 2017 and our thanks go to Harbro for their support.

We have been successful in securing both Erik Mackechnie and James Munro to teach in the spring—Erik at Netherton Equestrian on 26th March and James at Seaforth Riding Centre on 2nd April. I envisage demand for lessons with both of these trainers will be greater than places available, so if you are interested please contact Alicia as soon as possible.

The Spring Show will again be held at SNEC on 22nd and 23rd April, with the WHP classes on the Saturday and the ridden and in-hand classes on the Sunday. Lorry and trailer parking will be quite different this year so please follow the directions of the lorry parkers.

Our Summer Show is on Sunday, 10th June at Highfield at Howe and this year we are going to once again be running back-to-back with BSPS Scotland as they have decided to host their Summer Show at the same venue on the Sunday. This is great news and hopefully many of you will decide to compete on both days. We are lucky with Howe having so

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Points of Interest

- * Welcome from our Chairman
- * NPS Scotland AGM
- * Spring Show Judges 2017
- * In Hand Show Pics
- * Dates for your diary
- * Your Committee

Many on-site stables and it will be a real showing 'weekend'. We are affiliating to the BSPS and will be holding a selection of plaited classes on Saturday.

Racing through the year we come to our Scottish Finals at Blair on Friday 25th August. Please make sure if you are looking to qualify for Blair that you obtain your qualification cards at the various shows. A full list of shows holding qualifiers will be on the website shortly.

We look forward to you participating at our events in 2017 and wish you a successful season.

With best wishes for the New Year.

Fiona Roebuck

NPS SCOTLAND MEMBERSHIP

Memberships are now due for 2017 and all earlybird members who pay before our AGM on 5th February will be entered into a prize draw.

One of the advantage of membership is reduced entry fees at our shows, so join now before the season kicks off (all memberships not paid by 1st April 2017, will incur a re-joining fee of £5)

Full NPS Scotland Membership £23

Associate NPS Scotland Membership £18

National Qualifying Membership £18

Memberships can be paid online with Entrymaster or if you have any questions please contact Alicia Hay directly via email secretary@npsscotland.co.uk



NPS SCOTLAND AGM AND PRE-SEASON LUNCH 2017

Once again we return to the Huntingtower Hotel, just outside Perth for our AGM and pre-season lunch on Sunday 5th February 2017 at 11 am. Coffee will be available from 10.30 am onwards. If any members would like a copy of last years minutes or accounts prior to the AGM, please send a large SAE to the Secretary. They will only be available a few days prior to the AGM.

If you would like to book for lunch (£16 per head), please complete the booking form available to download from the website) and return by 27th January at the very latest to:

Mrs Alicia Hay, Blairview, Milnathort, Kinross, KY13



Huntingtower Hotel, Crieff Road,
Perth, PH1 3JT

Tel 01738 583771

COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS

A nomination form is also available for download from the website and should be returned no later than 12 noon on 14th January 2017 to the Secretary. All forms must be signed by both proposer and seconder and a candidate 'profile' should also be submitted on a separate sheet.

SPRING SHOW—SNEC 2017

We will once again be returning to SNEC for our annual Spring Show over the weekend 22nd and 23rd April 2017 with Saturday being "worker" day and Sunday for ridden and in hand classes.

We are well aware there were parking problems this year, but are delighted to say we have secured additional parking for 2017 behind the arena which hopefully should alleviate any problems of anyone being parked too far away from the arena itself. Car parking Stewards will be in attendance and we would be grateful for your co-operation when directed to specific parking areas suitable for large HGV lorries, smaller lorries and cars and trailers.

Judges confirmed to date for this Show are as follows:-

M&M FR WHP	Zoe Snape, Suffolk
M&M Novice WHP	Barbara McGrath, Co Durham (J)
	Sue Phelan, Hamps (C)
M&M Inter WHP	Zoe Snape, Suffolk (J)
	Tweetie Nimmo (C)
M&M WHP (RIHS)	Sue Phelan, Hamps (J)
	Barbara McGrath (C)
M&M Nov Ridden	Barbara McGrath
M&M Open Ridden	Zoe Snape
M&M Open Ridden (RIHS)	Barbara McGrath (R)
	Sue Phelan (C)
M&M LR/FR (RIHS)	Zoe Snape
M&M In-hand	Sue Phelan
M&M LR, FR	Sarah Ross
M&M Junior Ridden	Sarah Ross
RP/HP In-hand	Sue Phelan
NPS SP/SHP Open Ridden	Sue Williamson

NPS SCOTLAND IN-HAND SHOW OCTOBER 2016

On Saturday 22nd October 2016, we held our re-instated In-hand Show at Netherton Equestrian, near Perth and we were encouraged by the entries and support. There were some nicely filled classes and below are a selection of photographs taken on the day.



Dunaskin Gimli
Supreme Champion
&
Reserve Supreme
Heather of Conway,
& Shirley Anne
Clarke

Supreme Champion Dunaskin
Gimli & Eleanor Crate



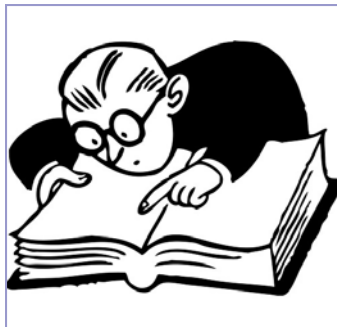
Myreton Gustavo owned by
Mr J Wilson and shown by
Lisa Wilson,

Yearling Champion Kershope
Appin & Shirley Anne Clarke



Light Horse Section Champion
Nae Secret & Kirsty Aird

PLEASE, PLEASE READ RULE BOOKS



We are sorry to keep repeating ourselves, but with showing season soon upon us, can we please still remind you all to read rules and regulations before entering and/or competing. It is your responsibility to be aware of all rules and regulations regarding class criteria so please ensure you are all conversant which in the long term avoids any confusion, embarrassment and disappointment on the day of competition.

Facebook continues to be a very popular way of communicating with the majority of our members, but please be aware it is not our Secretary who runs our Facebook page, therefore if you have any specific questions or queries relating to classes, etc etc please contact Alicia in the first instance.

Please also be very aware of what you are posting on Facebook too, if in any doubt, please refer to the above Rule Book regarding Conduct for Social Media sites.



NPS SCOTLAND TRAINING DAYS

We are delighted to have secured two training days this Spring, one with Erik Mackechnie and the second with James Munro. We expect a high demand for both these trainers, so if you are interested please let our Secretary know as soon as possible.

26th March 2017 Training with Erik Mackechnie at Netherton Equestrian Centre, near Perth

2nd April 2017 Training with James Munro at Seaforth Riding Centre, Dingwall

NEW HAT REGULATIONS

The NPS are aware that many competitors are looking to purchase new hats to ensure they are compliant with the 2017 hat rules. The NPS rules are as follows:

Correctly secured skull caps/riding hats that meet one of the following current safety standards and specifications MUST be worn by all riders of all ages. All PAS 015; VG1: ASTM F1163 04a onwards; SNELL E2001; AS/NZS 3838 2003 onwards.

In addition the new BS/EN standard will be allowed, once approved with the finalised number being advised in due course. Please note that from 1st January 2017 the list of standards no longer includes BS/EN1384; 1996 or 2012 (or prior year suffix). The new European standard will be allowed once finalised and will be advised in due course.



NPS SCOTLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS & SILVER MEDAL FINALS JUDGES AND COURSE BUILDERS FOR 2017

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| Mr J Etheridge, Suffolk | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NPS Scotland/Kilmannan Stud M&M Novice Ridden Championship Final (R) • NPS Scotland/NFU Mutual Insurance Riding Pony/Hunter Pony In Hand Championship Final • NPS Scotland/Kilgraston School M&M Lead Rein and First Ridden Championship Final (R) • |
| Mrs M Taylor
North Yorks | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NPS Scotland/Kilmannan Stud M&M Novice Ridden Championship Final (C) • NPS/The Minns Ridden Silver Medal Rosette (Scotland) Final • NPS Scotland/Townhead Pet n Pony M&M In Hand Championship Final |
| Mrs J Woods
Suffolk | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NPS Scotland/Kilmannan Stud In Hand Silver Medal Rosette (Scotland) Final • NPS Scotland/Baileys Horse Feeds M&M Open Ridden Championship Final (C) |
| Mrs B Halls
Suffolk | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NPS Scotland/Kingfisher Building Products M&M WHP Championship Final (C) • NPS Scotland/Baileys Horse Feeds M&M Open Ridden Championship Final (R) |
| Mrs J Beatham
Wiltshire | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NPS Scotland/Kingfisher Building Products M&M WHP Championship Final (J) • NPS Scotland/Kilgraston School M&M Lead Rein and First Ridden Championship Final (C) • NPS /The Minns Ridden Silver Medal Rosette Championship |
| To be confirmed | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WHP Course builders |



NPS SUPREME DRESSAGE CHAMPIONSHIPS 2016/17

The qualifiers for the NPS Supreme Dressage Championship which are held at Addington Manor in April of each year are now well underway. As detailed in our last newsletter Netherton Equestrian, which is situated near to Bridge of Earn in Perthshire, kindly offered to host qualifying classes with the final qualifier being held in February.

BD tests Prelim 18 and Novice 30 will be used for all qualifiers and each test will consist of the following six sections, all of which will have their own Final:

- Registered M&M breeds not exceeding 138 cms
- Registered M&M breeds exceeding 138 cms
- Registered British Riding Ponies
- Part Bred Horses/Ponies registered with their appropriate Native Breed Part Bred Stud Book—including PBA ponies over stamped in the British Riding Pony Stud Book and ponies registered with the British Sports Pony Stud Book.
- Highest placed Mini rider aged under 12 years on 1st January 2016
- Highest placed Junior rider under 18 years on 1st January 2016

The two highest placed ponies in each section at each qualifying show will qualify for the 2017 Final and also be eligible to be chosen to represent their breed, NPS Area or other team in the Team Challenge which will be incorporated into the 2017 Championship Final. To compete in the Final, you must be a fully paid up Dressage, Qualifying or Life Member of the NPS in 2017.

So, if you are keen to enter—and hopefully you will be—please can you contact Netherton Equestrian direct for more information and a copy of their schedule. Their details are as follows:

Netherton Equestrian (Joanna Wilkie)
 Netherton Farm
 Aberargie, Perthshire, PH2 9 NE
 Tel 07801 418681 or 07855 468809 www.nethertonequestrian.co.uk

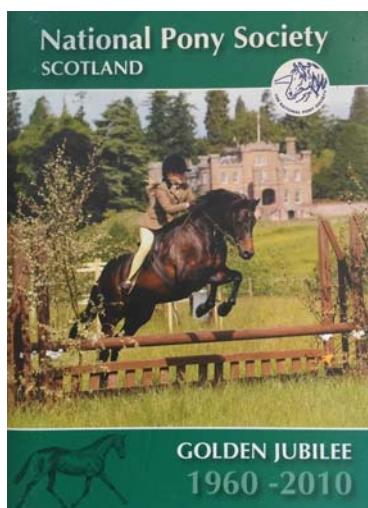
Please support these qualifiers—wouldn't it be great if we could have a NPS Scotland Team at the finals in April 2017!



Apologies for repeating ourselves, but we are always in need of stewards and volunteers to help us out at shows, even for a few hours. We are always on the look out for anyone who can help with Stewarding and would urge everyone to give it a go at some point, even if you can spare an hour or two, your help would be greatly appreciated.

If you think you could help out in any way please contact Alicia. Any help offered is very much appreciated.

GOLDEN JUBILEE BOOKLET



For any new members to NPS Scotland, you may not know that in 2010 NPS Scotland celebrated its Golden Jubilee.

To celebrate this we put together a small booklet recording the history of NPS in Scotland spanning the 50 years.

We have a small number of these books left so if you are interested in purchasing one, please contact Kirsty Miller (details at the back of this magazine) by sending an A5 or larger SAE and cheque for £5.00

It is an interesting read and full of lovely colour photographs taken over the years.



DIARY DATES



5th February 2017	NPS Scotland AGM & Pre-season Lunch, Huntingtower Hotel, Perth
26th March 2017	Training with Erik Mackechnie, Netherton Equestrian, near Perth
2nd April 2017	Training with James Munro, Seaforth Riding Centre, Dingwall
22nd/23rd April 2017	NPS Scotland Spring Show, SNEC
10th June 2017	NPS Scotland Summer Show, Howe
11th June 2017	BSPS Summer Show, Howe
25th August 2017	NPS Scotland Finals & Silver Medal Championships, Blair Atholl
21st October 2017	NPS Scotland In-hand Show, Netherton Equestrian, near Perth

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please remember they
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