



NEWSLETTER



MARCH 2015

Editor's Bit

Here we are, only at the end of March with a number of rides already having taken place - in particular from the Lancashire schedule, Croal Irwell and Ulmes Walton - both had good weather and excellent numbers.

As usual out last committee meeting threw up a number of issues regarding the organisation of rides and in particular the never ending problem of lack of help at rides and how we can encourage members to give some time back to the society by getting involved as a helper. Helpers are essential - rides simply cannot run without them! The Committee therefore made some decisions on how best to achieve this end and this information is included in the newsletter.

As it is the beginning of a new season we also have information for you regarding rule changes - please do read it all through to make sure you are up to date with all the changes!

In this newsletter we have our first ride report of the season. Thank you Alice for sharing your experience with us - I'm sure anyone who rode that ride would agree with your sentiments - it was an excellent ride.

I look forward to receiving more ride reports as the season progresses

Regards

Helen

From the Chair.....

Hi everyone,

I hope you have all got used to the new frequency of the newsletter now and are also happy with the email delivery. It seems quite a while since I wrote a Chairman's bit, just before Christmas in fact, and a lot has happened since then. As we now approach Easter time, we already have several rides under our belts. That applies to competitive and non- competitive rides, and also to Ride Organisers. I know that most of you keep up to date with events and results on Facebook and our website, so you will be fully aware of the successes of our members

and results of rides etc. Those who do not have access to these sites will not be missing out however, as this newsletter is full of reports from events, results of the Presentation Evening, explanations of this year's rule changes and lots more, so please read on.

One of the key points to draw your attention to includes a reminder to renew your membership and horse registration. Membership and national horse registration can be done on line, but Lancs Group Horse registration can only be done by post. Please note, new members in particular, that to get a Lancs Group Horse Kilometerage card you need to download a form from EGB Lancs Group website, fill in your details and send with an SAE to Jean Merchant, who will then return you the said card - everyone needs to do this as registration of your horse nationally does not get you a Lancs Card automatically.

Once you have received your card you will see a section at the top which asks for details about the ride you have helped at this year.

This is one of the rule changes which are taking effect this year. As Ride Organiser's have really struggled to get enough help recently, we have revised a rule which was in place a few years ago; everyone claiming mileage and/or trophy points with Lancs Group must help in at least ONE Lancs Group ride in 2015. This is something which is practiced in many other EGB groups around the country, and is something which, by providing helpers, allows us to actually put rides on the ride calendar in the first place. The full details are explained in detail in a later section of the newsletter.

We held our annual Ride Organiser's meeting in mid-February with great success, having quite a few new members present, all providing input and volunteering to help. This also encouraged a couple of new Ride Organisers to propose rides, and raised a few more possible routes and venues to be investigated. You will see from our 2015 Ride Fixture List that we have quite a few new rides planned and I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone involved in these. If any other members have ideas for rides in their area please do get in touch - these can be discussed, and it doesn't necessarily mean that you will have to organise it. There is always someone to help and assist new organisers, and if you are interested in developing your skills in

this then you could always 'shadow organise' at another ride to help you get the hang of it.

A rule change which has been implemented nationally, is the need for a Parental Consent Form to be completed by all riders who are under 18 years old, for every ride they attend. This applies to local group rides as well as national rides, and rides secretaries are to strictly enforce it, to the point that if such a young rider turns up at a ride without a form, they will not be allowed to ride. This may seem harsh, but is in the rider's best interest, so if this rule applies to you then please be well prepared and have a stack of completed forms to hand (might be a good idea to keep some in the glove box of the car or horse box!!!!).

I must mention the wonderful time we had at the Presentation Evening this January. We have included a full report in this newsletter, and many of you will have seen reports, photos, and results online. I am sure you can see from these that a really great time was had by everyone. Ribby Hall did us proud with the food, and all the good company, (and rosettes of course) ensured that it was quite a vibrant evening. I am pleased to say that we had an outstanding number of guests present this year (96), including quite a few past members and champions, but I know there are still a few of our members who haven't yet attended a presentation 'do', and I would love to encourage you to attend next year - you really are missing out on a good night so remember next Christmas when the ticket booking form comes out.

Before I go on for much longer, I must mention a couple of changes you might have noticed on the website. Following the completion of last year's results calculations, I managed to get everyone's cumulative lifetime mileage in a file and it is now displayed under 'Lifetime Kilometrage' on the results section of the website. This will be updated annually (as long as you submit your kilometrage card at the end of the year) so you can keep track of how you are doing. If anyone has a horse they perhaps no longer have registered, who is not on this list, then please email me and I will try to find the historical information to add them to the list. You may also have noticed the

page of past Lancashire Champions which is very interesting reading, showing some wonderful pictures of Lancs Champions from the Lancs Group inauguration way back in 1984, courtesy of Linda Cowperthwaite. We are also introducing a Rider Profile page, which provides key information about our members and their trusty steeds - so keep your eye on that and please complete a rider profile form to get yourself added.

Another thing you need to check out is the updated Trophy Qualification list. We have changed some of the definitions for these trophies to avoid some confusion over who is eligible for what - so please take your time to read through this (included here and on website) to make sure you know what trophies you and your horse can compete for.

Well I really must end the 'Chairman's bit' now as there is loads of other info. to squeeze into this newsletter. So please make sure you read it all so you keep up-to-date with important changes etc. In the meantime have fun out there and enjoy your rides.

Take care everyone!

Sue

If you wish to be included in the Rider Profile Pages of the website then please contact Linda Cowperthwaite lindacowperthwaite@tiscali.co.uk - you will need to complete a form and provide a couple of photos of you and your horse(s).

We would like to thank Edwin Devey, our Ride Photographer from Whatapicture.biz for taking all those lovely photos at both our Presentation Evening and all of our Lancs Group rides. He is always happy to turn out, whatever the weather, and really does end up in some very isolated (and often wet and windy) places. Please remember to view his pages @ whatapicture.biz and support him wherever possible.

Lancs Group Members please remember to support your group and enter the

**ULNES WALTON WANDER
EGB National Ride
26th April 2015**

Full range of classes including pleasure rides.
Lovely flat route with good going
Full details on EGB Website

If you aren't riding it please offer to help!

EGB Lancashire Group Awards Presentation Evening **Saturday 24th January 2015**

Our annual Presentation evening took place on Saturday 24th January 2014 in The Garden Room, at Ribby Hall near Kirkham.

Presenting the trophies and awards earned during the 2014 season was a very special event for Lancs Group, as this was our 30th Anniversary year since the old EHPS Lancs Group was formed way back in 1984. We really wanted to celebrate this, so to enhance the evening we developed a 'glitter theme' and everyone made a special effort to really sparkle.

We were pleased to welcome not only several past champions from our 30 year history, but also some of the people who have over the years, kindly donated some of our annual trophies

An additional event for the group to celebrate during 2014, was the 80th birthday of one of our long term members Mrs Betty Paul, who we are pleased to say is still fit and active and taking part in pleasure rides. We held Betty's 80th Birthday 'Pink Ride' in her honour at

Formby Beach in October, but we also continued the festivities at the awards dinner to her surprise, by presenting her with a sash of honour.

The awards were presented by our EGB national chairman Mr John Hudson and we were so pleased that he and his wife Jane were able to come up from Devon to help us celebrate. The M.C. for the evening was Alan Taylor-Green and the whole evening was photographed by Edwin Devey of whatapicture.biz.

Awards for the 2014 season are as follows:-

Firstly Annual Kilometerage Rosettes - in ascending order of distance from 100kms:-

100 kilometres

RIYAH RAQUASSAH

BUMBLE

WILLIN

SELENA OF CAENLOCHAN

FRANKIE

ROCK OF CASHEL

BALLINAMORE PLAN B

LAKOTA RED CLOUD

HUGGY BEAR

SHEDYKTA

MOLLIES MELODY

BADRAN

LINDLE SIR GALLAHAD

KAZAIYAD

BRIARGROVE GOLDEN HANIF

KAREN CORR

HANNAH WRIGHT

WILL PARKINSON

COLIN PROCTOR

LINDA GLOVER

PAT KELLY

SUSAN HEATON

SARAH WEBSTER

JANETTE HUNTER

LYNNE JACKSON

LYSETTE CROSS

HANNAH ORMEROD

ANGELA LEADBETTER

LINDA COWPERTHWAITTE

CLAIRE DAWES

200 Kilometres

MINSTREL MAX

BASHIR SHAHIR

N L NAVASSA

TIM

SAM PARKINSON

MICHELLE MEE

LINDA EARNSHAW

STEPH DUXBURY

FIFI
GE AL AMIRA
TOISEACH FEASGAR
PETERBROOK SUNSET SURPRISE
ILINGA OF SHARLOAM
RYLANDS MAX A MILLION

300 Kilometres

DOUGIE
COLONEL
MISS KITTY
ANDESSAS RUBY RHYTHM
INDYANNA
CAERBRENNIN PRIMA DONNA

DIANE HUDSON
SARAH BAMBER
BETTY PAUL
CAROLYN CUMMINGS
NICKY CLARK
CATHRYN HOUGHTON

KIRSTEN NOKLING
LYNNE COOPER
SARAH BAMBER
HANNA WRIGHT
NICKY CLARK
ALISON MOORE

400 Kilometres

SUPREME DANCER
DNS RONALDO
WEEPING WILLOW
MARADAY MYSTERON
DAYLIGHT RICH
TOMMY PIGLET
RASSAM
SHANNON

CARLA JACKSON
KATE ATKINSON
GLENDA GRIFFIN
LINDA COWPERTHWAITTE
PAULINE McCARTNEY
JUDY AINLEY
ANNE BOOTH
PHIL COOPER

500 Kilometres

BLANCHE
ORELIE GRIFF

SUSAN CRABTREE
CHRISTOPHER FITTON

600 Kilometres

GIZMO I
ELBRICH FAN WOLSOM
DELFWY SQUWIGGLE

IZZY WILSON
JAMIE HOUGHTON
KAREN CORR

700 Kilometres

MOON MAGICIAN
ZIM NAZKA
TOMMY

SUE TAYLOR-GREEN
JACKIE LLOYD
DIANE HUDSON

800 Kilometres

PANTYFID CLOUDY
KHALIFA BJ

JENNY RAND
CAROLYN LIVESEY

And the greatest distance this year is **TANIA FITTON** on
MEADOWLAND MACK 887kms

Cumulative Awards - total kilometerages achieved by these horses
during their endurance career. Awarded in multiples of 1000kms.

1000 Kilometres

MEADOWLAND MACK
BALLINAMORE PLAN B
SUPREME DANCER
WEEPING WILLOW
PANTYFID CLOUDY
GIZMO
DELFYW SQUWIGGLE

TANIA FITTON
SUSAN HEATON
CARLA JACKSON
GLENDA GRIFFIN
JENNY RAND
IZZY WILSON
KAREN CORR

2000Kilometres

DORCINA VALIENT BE

CAROL EDMONDSON

3000kilometres

MARADAY MYSTERON

LINDA COWPERTHWAITTE

4000Kilometres

RASSAM

ANNE BOOTH

5000Kilometres

MOON MAGICIAN

SUE TAYLOR-GREEN

7000Kilometres

HUGGY BEAR

JANETTE HUNTER

And even further an incredible lifetime distance of **14000 Kilometres**

PETERBROOK SUNSET SURPRISE CAROLYN CUMMINGS
14089kms

TROPHIES FOR NON-COMPETITIVE RIDES

Lancashire Rosebud Trophy (donated by Bob and Diane Payne) - awarded to the best Horse or Pony ridden by a Junior Rider completing the greatest number of Non-Competitive kilometres

- 1st ANDESSAS RUBY RHYTHM ridden by HANNA WRIGHT
- 2nd MOLLIES MELODY ridden by LYSETTE CROSS
- 3rd CUILLIN ridden by WILL PARKINSON

April Primrose (Donated by Janet Bebbington) - Awarded to the Veteran Rider who is 60 years of age and older who has successfully completed the greatest number of kms in Pleasure Rides

- 1st JENNIFER RAND
- 2nd SUE TAYLOR-GREEN
- 3rd PAULINE McCARTNEY
- 4th GLENDA GRIFFIN
- 5th BETTY PAUL
- 6th LINDA EARNSHAW

Pendle Salver (donated by Jane Wood) - to the best Veteran non-competitive Horse or Pony, which is 18 years of age and older which has successfully completed the greatest number of kms in EGB Lancs Group Pleasure Rides

- 1st MOON MAGICIAN ridden by SUE TAYLOR-GREEN
- 2nd TOISEACH FEASGAR ridden by BETTY PAUL
- 3rd MINSTREL MAX ridden by SAM PARKINSON

The Ellie Trophy (donated by Janet Bebbington) which is awarded to the horse or pony in its first registered season taking place in pleasure rides only.

- 1st ELBRICH FAN WOLSOM ridden by JAMIE HOUGHTON
- 2nd SHANNON ridden by PHIL COOPER
- 3rd DOUGIE ridden by KIRSTEN NOCKLING

- 4th RYELANDS MAX A MILLION ridden by CATH HOUGHTON
- 5th TIM ridden by STEPH DUXBURY
- 6th BRIARGROVE GOLDEN HANIF ridden by CLAIRE DAWES

Arab Cup (donated by Lancs EGB) - Awarded to the best Horse or Pony registered with the Arab Horse Society , which has successfully completed the greatest number of **non-competitive kms**

- 1st MOON MAGICIAN ridden by SUE TAYLOR-GREEN
- 2nd DAYLIGHT RICH ridden by PAULINE MCCARTNEY
- 3rd ILINGA OF SHARLOAM ridden by NICKY CLARK
- 4th GE AL AMIRA ridden by SARAH BAMBER
- 5th N L NAVASSA ridden by LINDA EARNSHAW
- 6th BASHIR SHAHIR_ridden by SHELLEY MEE
- 7th BRIARGROVE GOLDEN HANIF ridden by CLAIRE DAWES

The Pepper D Trophy Donated By Sarah Webster for the horse or pony which is not pure, part or anglo arab taking part in **pleasure rides only**:

- 1st PANTYFID CLOUDY ridden by JENNY RAND
- 2nd ELBRICH FAN WOLSOM ridden by JAMIE HOUGHTON
- 3rd SHANNON ridden BY PHIL COOPER
- 4th TOMMY PIGLET ridden by JUDY AINLEY
- 5th WEEPING WILLOW ridden by GLENDA GRIFFIN
- 6th SUPREME DANCER ridden by CARLA JACKSON
- 7th CAERBRENNIN PRIMA DONNA ridden by ALISON MOORE
- 8th INDYANNA ridden by NICKY CLARK
- 9th ANDESSAS RUBY RHYTHM ridden by HANNA WRIGHT

The Lancashire Rose Trophy (Donated by Bob and Diane Payne) Awarded to the Horse or Pony ridden by a Senior Rider, which has successfully completed the greatest number of **non-competitive kms** .

- 1st PANTYFID CLOUDY ridden by JENNY RAND
- 2nd MOON MAGICIAN ridden by SUE TAYLOR-GREEN
- 3rd ELBRICH FAN WOLSOM ridden by JAMIE HOUGHTON
- 4th SHANNON ridden by PHIL COOPER

5 th	TOMMY PIGLET ridden by JUDY AINLEY
6 th	DAYLIGHT RICH ridden by PAULINE MCCARTNEY
7 th	WEeping WILLOW ridden by GLENDA GRIFFIN
8 th	SUPREME DANCER ridden by CARLA JACKSON
9 th	CAERBRENNIN PRIMA DONNA ridden by ALISON MOORE
10 th	INDYANNA ridden by NICKY CLARK

TROPHIES WHICH ARE APPLICABLE TO BOTH COMPETITIVE AND NON-COMPETITIVE RIDES :-

Tarka Trophy (donated by Debbi Gartside) - For the best piebald or skewbald Horse or Pony, which has successfully completed the greatest number of kms in all classes of EGB Lancs approved competitive and non-competitive rides.

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| 1 st | DELFYW SQUWIGGLE ridden by KAREN CORR |
| 2 nd | SHANNON ridden by PHIL COOPER |
| 3 rd | WEeping WILLOW ridden by GLENDA GRIFFIN |

Winston Memorial Trophy (Donated by Bob and Dot Chappell) Awarded to the rider, new to Long Distance Riding in their first registered season, who has successfully completed the greatest number of kms in all classes of EGB competitive and non-competitive rides.

Pleased to say we had a lot of new members this year and it's great to reward their efforts with these rosettes:

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| 1 st | JAMIE HOUGHTON |
| 2 nd | CARLA JACKSON |
| 3 rd | KIRSTEN NOKLING |
| 4 th | CATHRYN HOUGHTON |
| 5 th | STEPH DUXBURY |
| 6 th | CLAIRE DAWES |
| 7 th | HANNAH ORMEROD |
| 8 th | LINDA GLOVER |
| 9 th | ANNETTE SCHUMER |

The pairs awards

Britannia Double (donated by Deb Bennett) - Awarded to the best pair consisting of one competitive horse/pony and one non-competitive horse/pony, gaining the highest combination of points and kilometres. (competitive horse listed first of the pair)

- 1st ZIM NAZKA (Jackie Lloyd) and PANTYFID CLOUDY (Jenny Rand)
2nd KHALIFA BJ (Carolyn Livesey) and ELBRICH FAN WOLSOM (Jamie Houghton)
3rd MARADAY MYSTARON (Linda Cowperthwaite) and MOON MAGICIAN (Sue Taylor-Green)
4th MEADOWLAND MACK (Tania Fitton) and SHANNON (Phil Cooper)

Chanel Pairs: - (donated by Maureen Helme) Awarded to the pair of **competitive** Horses or Ponies, gaining the highest combined number of points in any division of EGB competitive rides. One Horse/Pony to have only completed rides of **45km and under** and the other only rides of greater than **45 km will be included**. (Longest distance horse first of pair)

1st KHALIFA BJ (Carolyn Livesey) and ORELIE GRIFF (Chris Fitton)

- 2nd MARADAY MYSTARON (Linda Cowperthwaite) and MEADOWLAND MACK (Tania Fitton)
3rd ZIM NAZKA (Jackie Lloyd) and BADRAN (Hannah Ormerod)

The Competitive Trophies.....

Young Rider Trophy (donated by Lancs EGB)- Awarded to the best competitive Horse or Pony gaining highest number of points when ridden by a Young Rider, aged 14 to 21years old

- 1st GIZMO 1 ridden by IZZY WILSON
2nd DNS RONALDO ridden by KATE ATKINSON

Helme Trophy (donated by Helen Helme) - Awarded to the best competitive Horse or Pony gaining the highest number of points when ridden by a Junior Rider aged 8 to 13 years old in graded rides only but unfortunately no contenders this year

Willowsweet Trophy -(donated by Evelyn Helme) Awarded to the best competitive Horse or Pony, seven years of age and under, gaining the highest number of points in all types of EGB competitive rides.

- 1st KHALIFA BJ ridden by CAROLYN LIVESEY
- 2nd MEADOWLAND MACK ridden by TANIA FITTON
- 3rd GIZMO I ridden by IZZY WILSON
- 4th DNS RONALDO ridden by KATE ATKINSON

Collee Memorial (donated by Helen Fox) - Awarded to the best competitive Veteran Horse or Pony who is 16 years of age and older gaining the highest number of points in all types of EGB competitive rides.

- 1st TOMMY ridden by DIANE HUDSON
- 2nd DORCINA VALIENT BE ridden by CAROL EDMONDSON
- 3rd MOON MAGICIAN ridden by SUE TAYLOR -GREEN

AHS Cup (donated by Lancs. EGB) - Awarded to the best competitive Horse or Pony which is registered with the Arab Horse Society, which has gained the highest number of points in all classes of EGB competitive rides.

- 1st ZIM NAZKA ridden by JACKIE LLOYD
- 2nd KHALIFA BJ ridden BY CAROLINE LIVESEY
- 3rd MARADAY MYSTARON ridden BY LINDA COWPERTHWAITTE
- 4th BLANCHE ridden by SUZY CRABTREE
- 5th RASSAM ridden by ANNE BOOTH
- 6th DNS RONALDO ridden by KATE ATKINSON

Norah Trophy (donated by Gina Stringer)- Awarded to the best competitive Horse or Pony other than Pure, Part or Anglo

Arabs either registered or not registered, gaining the highest number of points in all types of EGB competitive rides.

- 1st MEADOWLAND MACK ridden by TANIA FITTON
- 2nd GIZMO I ridden by IZZY WILSON
- 3rd DELFYW SQUWIGGLE ridden by KAREN CORR
- 4th TOMMY ridden by DIANE HUDSON
- 5th ORELIE GRIFF ridden by CHRIS FITTON

Novice Trophy(donated by LanCS EGB)- Awarded to the best competitive Horse or Pony gaining the highest number of points in it's first season registered as a **Novice** horse/pony taking the '**slow track**' only in rides of 45kms and under. Only one place this year that is

- 1st FIFI ridden by DIANE HUDSON

Cumbria Za Trophy (donated by Meriel and Peter Moon) -

Awarded to the best competitive Horse or Pony, gaining the highest number of points in rides of 45 km and under only, when ridden by a **senior** rider..

- 1st MEADOWLAND MACK ridden by TANIA FITTON
- 2nd TOMMY ridden by DIANE HUDSON
- 3rd ORELIE GRIFF ridden by CHRIS FITTON

Graded Ride Champion (donated by LanCS EGB) - Awarded to the best competitive Horse or Pony achieving the highest number of points in all EGB Graded Rides when ridden by a senior rider.

- 1st KHALIFA BJ ridden BY CAROLINE LIVESEY
- 2nd ZIM NAZKA ridden BY JACKIE LLOYD
- 3rd BLANCHE ridden by SUZY CRABTREE
- 4th MEADOWLAND MACK ridden by TANIA FITTON
- 5th GIZMO I ridden by IZZY WILSON
- 6th TOMMY ridden by DIANE HUDSON

Endurance Champion (donated by JR Houghton) - For the best Endurance Horse or Pony, gaining highest number of points in EGB **Endurance Rides only** (all ER classes) only.

1st MARADAY MYSTARON ridden by **LINDA COWPERTHWAIT**

2nd RASSAM ridden by ANNE BOOTH

3rd ZIM NAZKA ridden BY JACKIE LLOYD

4th DELFYW SQUWIGGLE ridden by KAREN CORR

Highpoint Champion - Awarded to the overall champion competitive Horse or Pony, gaining the **highest number of points achieved in any type of EGB competitive ride..**

1st ZIM NAZKA ridden by JACKIE LLOYD

2nd KHALIFA BJ ridden BY CAROLINE LIVESEY

3rd MARADAY MYSTARON ridden by LINDA COWPERTHWAIT

4th BLANCHE ridden by SUZY CRABTREE

5th MEADOWLAND MACK ridden by TANIA FITTON

6th RASSAM ridden by Anne Booth

7th GIZMO I ridden by Izzy Wilson

8th DNS RONALDO ridden by KATE ATKINSON

9th DELFYW SQUWIGGLE ridden by KAREN CORR

10th TOMMY ridden by DIANE HUDSON

We awarded the Saar Companionship Trophy this year. It is intended for someone who has either helped or assisted with a particular incident or event - or for someone who has generally been of valuable assistance throughout the season. This year's recipient is nominated by Glenda Griffin and she has nominated Jean Merchant for her assistance at many EGB Lancs events throughout the year. Jean was present at most rides, helping as First Aider, organising, timekeeping or generally assisting and has also done a great job this year with new members.

JEAN MERCHANT - The Saar Companion Trophy

An important and touching award to show some recognition for our horse companions who have sadly passed away during the

previous competitive season - these always deserve to be remembered. This year we have three such companions those being **CONMAN** - who belonged to Barbara Smith and who completed 2125 happy kms during his lifetime from 1997 to 2014.

ASIF-AL-SHADID who belonged to Maxine Lang and who successfully achieved 1532 kms during his life from 1991 to 2014.

ROXTHORNE BRITANNIA who belonged to Deb Bennett who has been in retirement for the last few years but who previously was local and National Champion . She completed 8500km during her lifetime from 1983 to 2014.

Last but not Least.....

The Ride Organisers awards. As we say every year - without them we wouldn't be here - so a big thank you to all of them:

Jenny Rand and Jean Merchant for The Croal Irwell Valley Rides (both Spring and the 30th anniversary ride)

Maxine Lang for The Echo in Africa Ride

Angela Leadbetter for The Waterside Parishes Ride

Glenda Griffin and Jean Merchant for both The Formby and The Little Crosby Rides

Sarah Bamber and Nicky Clark for The Piethorn Ride

Sue Taylor-Green for the Ulnes Walton Wander and Heapey

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You all remember that it was also Betty Paul's 80th Birthdays this year and we initially arranged the Pink Ride to take place in August to coincide with her birthday celebrations - unfortunately this was rained off and we had an emergency tea party Sue Taylor-Green's house instead followed by a rearranged pink ride at the Formby ride in October. Betty presided at this of course and received pressies and all sorts - including becoming quite a celebrity by having a three page spread in the January Issue of Lancashire Life Magazine. Anyway one award she didn't receive at the time was a celebratory sash so Betty was presented with an 80th birthday sash.

We also had a display board showing our 30 years worth of competitive highpoint champions of the Lancashire group of EGB. The proud owner/riders of a couple of these came specially to join our 30th anniversary celebrations. These were :-

*The Helmersy - Donna, Lucy and Becky all rode **Bobby** to local and national victory amongst many other achievements.*

*Janet and Joanne Bailey rode **Beechnut Coffee Cream** similarly to local and national victory.*

*Meriel and Zara Moon - had **Cumbria Za, Yamavah and Gedenski** (amongst others) all to similar successes.*

Thank you to everyone who took part and let's look forward to a successful 2015 season!

NOTICE TO YOUNG RIDERS

Are you interested in becoming the Lancs Group Young Rider Representative?

If so please email suetaylorgreen@hotmail.com to express your interest.

EGB LANCASHIRE GROUP TROPHY LIST (2015)

We have recently reviewed all of the Lancs Group Trophies as some of the definitions were not too clear, and their interpretation was not always used in the sense that was intended. We have therefore included here a list of the current Lancs EGB Trophies available, and the relevant Horse and/or Rider qualifications/entry requirements etc. that apply to them. These rules will apply from 1 January 2015.

Please read this carefully and check which trophies and awards you are eligible for. Most of the trophies have the same name as used

previously, but there are some changes particularly in age and distance qualifications, so please don't assume that you do still qualify for the award which you may have competed for previously. As far as is possible, we have tried to keep the qualifications for individual trophies in-line with similar National Awards, in accordance with National EGB Rules and Guidelines.

Please note that points or kilometres accrued by non-members will not count towards trophies or mileage rosettes. However, kilometres completed by horses/ponies owned by EGB members but ridden by non-members can contribute to the horse/pony's cumulative kilometerage.

Please also remember that the only EGB Lancs Group approved rides are either EGB National Rides, those appearing on the EGB Lancs Group Fixture list, or other EGB Group Rides (not other group Charity Rides). Not all rides advertised on Facebook are approved by EGB Lancs Group!

Trophies based on Non-Competitive Kilometres

Lancashire Rosebud Trophy: Awarded to the **Junior/Young Rider member**, 21 years old and under (on 1st January), who has successfully completed the greatest number of Non-Competitive kilometres in EGB Lancs Group approved rides on one or more horse/pony. All non-competitive kilometres to count.

Lancashire Rose Trophy: Awarded to the **Senior Rider member**, over 21 years old (1st January) who has successfully completed the greatest number of non-competitive kilometres in EGB Lancs Group approved rides on one or more horse/pony. All non-competitive kms to count.

Pendle Salver: Awarded to the Horse or Pony, which is **18 years of age and older** (1st January), and which has successfully completed the

greatest number of non-competitive kms in EGB Lancs Group approved rides. All non-competitive kms to count.

Arab Cup (Non Competitive): Awarded to the Horse or Pony which is **registered** with the **Arab Horse Society** as a Pure, Part-bred or Anglo Arab, and which has successfully completed the greatest number of non-competitive kms in EGB Lancs Group approved rides. All non-competitive kms to count. To be eligible for this trophy, copies of the **current** AHS Registration documents must be submitted with the kilometrage claim.

Pepper D Trophy: Awarded to the Horse or Pony **other than registered** Pure, Part or Anglo Arabs, which has successfully completed the greatest number of non-competitive kilometres in EGB Lancs Group approved rides. All non-competitive kilometres to count.

April Primrose Trophy: Awarded to the **Rider** member who is **60 years of age** and older (1st January) who has successfully completed the greatest number of kms in EGB Lancs Group approved rides on one or more horse/pony. All non-competitive kilometres to count.

Ellie Trophy: Awarded to the Horse or Pony in its **first season** registered with Lancs EGB, taking part in **non-competitive rides** only, which has successfully completed the greatest number of non-competitive kilometres in EGB Lancs Group approved rides. Horse/pony not to have previously been registered or to have taken part in rides with this or any other current or previously recognised endurance riding society in any previous season. All non-competitive kilometres to count.

Trophies based on Competitive Kilometres

Collee Memorial Trophy: Awarded to the **Horse or Pony** which is **16 years of age** and older (1st January), which has successfully

completed the greatest number of kms, in all classes of EGB competitive rides. All competitive kms to count.

Trophies based on both Competitive and Non-competitive Kilometres

Tarka Trophy: For the **coloured Horse or Pony**, which has successfully completed the greatest number of kms in all classes of competitive **and** EGB Lancs Group approved rides. All rides to count. **Only piebald and skewbald** horses and ponies are eligible. (Registration papers or photographic evidence should be submitted with award claim)

Winston Memorial Trophy: Awarded to the **rider, new** to Endurance Riding and in their first season of membership, who has successfully completed the greatest number of kms in all classes of competitive and EGB Lancs Group approved rides. Rider not to have ever previously been a member of any other current or previously recognised endurance society. All rides to count.

Trophies based on competitive points

Highpoint Champion of Lancashire: Awarded to the overall champion competitive Horse or Pony, gaining the highest number of points achieved in any types of EGB competitive ride. Best 10 rides to count.

Graded Ride Champion of Lancashire: Awarded to the competitive Horse or Pony achieving the highest number of points in **EGB Graded Endurance Rides (GERs)** when ridden by a **senior rider**. Best 10 rides to count. Open and Advanced horses are eligible and any distance to count.

Endurance Champion of Lancashire: For the Endurance Horse or Pony, gaining highest number of points in **EGB Competitive Endurance Rides** (all CER classes). Best 10 rides to count.

Novice Champion of Lancashire: Awarded to the competitive Horse or Pony gaining the highest number of points in its first season registered as a **Novice horse/pony**. Not to have previously competed in any other type of competitive ride, and not to have competed in rides of a distance greater than 45 km, with this or any other society, in this or in any previous season. In line with National Novice classification, only horses and ponies taking the 'slow track' novice route will be eligible **and completion of a ride greater than 45km will exclude** a horse/pony from this category. Slow track horses/ponies may not compete in more than 10 graded rides in this first novice season, all of these 10 rides will contribute to trophy points, but only the points up to and including 40km will count even if the ride distance is greater (up to and inc.45km).

Young Rider Champion of Lancashire: Awarded to the competitive **Young Rider**, aged 14 to 21years old (1st January) gaining the highest number of points competing in all types of EGB competitive rides (GERs and CERs) riding on one or more horse/pony. Best 10 rides to count.

Helme Trophy: Awarded to the competitive **Junior Rider** aged 8 to 13 years old (1st January), gaining the highest number of points competing in EGB graded rides (GERs) only riding on one or more horse/pony. Best 10 rides to count.

Cumbria Za Trophy: Awarded to the competitive Horse or Pony, gaining the highest number of points competing in any type of Open or Advanced Graded Endurance Ride (GERs) of **45 km and under only**, when ridden by a **senior rider**. Best 10 rides to count. First season novice horses are ineligible.

Arab Horse Society Cup (Competitive): Awarded to the competitive Horse or Pony which is **registered** with the **Arab Horse Society** as a Pure, Part-Bred, or Anglo Arab, which has gained the highest number of points in all classes of EGB competitive rides (GERs and CERs). Best 10 rides to count. To be eligible for this trophy, copies of the **current** AHS Registration documents must be submitted with the kilometerage claim.

Norah Trophy: Awarded to the competitive Horse or Pony **other than registered** Pure, Part or Anglo Arabs, gaining the highest number of points in all classes of EGB competitive rides (GERs and CERs). Best 10 rides to count.

Willowsweet Trophy: Awarded to the competitive Horse or Pony, **seven years of age and under** (1st January), gaining the highest number of points in all classes of EGB competitive rides (GERs and CERs). Best 10 rides to count

Pairs Trophies

Chanel Pairs Trophy: Awarded to the pair of **competitive** Horses or Ponies, gaining the highest combined number of points in any division of **EGB competitive** rides (GERs and CERs). One Horse/Pony to have **only** completed rides of **45km and under** in the current season, and their best 10 rides will count. For the high kilometerage horse/pony, **only rides of greater than 45 km** will be included, and again their best 10 rides will count. Any class of EGB horse/rider category is eligible (i.e. Junior, Young Rider Novice, Senior, GERs and CERs etc.). The pair (horse names) must be registered with the EGB Lancs Group Trophy Secretary by 31 May each year.

Britannia Double: Awarded to the **pair** which consists of one competitive horse/pony and one non-competitive horse/pony, gaining the highest combination of kilometres for the non-competitive horse

and points for the competitive horse calculated in accordance with instructions issued by the donor of the trophy. All Kilometres achieved in EGB Lancs Group approved rides and all points gained in competitive rides (both GERs and CERs) to count. Both junior and senior riders are eligible.

The pair (horse names) must be registered with the EGB Lancs Group Trophy Secretary by 31 May each year.

Kilometerage Awards

Annual Kilometre Rosettes: Awarded to each Horse or Pony for successfully completing all types of EGB Lancs Group approved competitive and non-competitive kilometres in the current season, awarded from a minimum distance of 100 km, followed by increasing increments of 100 km up to a maximum of 1000km.

Cumulative Rosettes: Awarded to each Horse or Pony for successfully completing all types of EGB Lancs Group approved competitive and non-competitive kilometres. These rosettes will be awarded in increments of 1000km starting at 1000km, during the EGB registered lifetime of the horse or pony, and will be updated annually.

Lifetime Achievement Awards: Awarded to each Horse or Pony which has either passed away or permanently retired from the sport in the current season. The award will commemorate and include all types of EGB Lancs Group approved competitive and non-competitive kilometres successfully completed in the horses/ponies lifetime. Awards claimed for horses & ponies under the permanent retirement category will result in the horse/pony being unable to compete for any trophies or awards in subsequent seasons.

There are quite a lot of trophies listed here, and hopefully there is something for all types and classes of horse/pony /rider to aim for. Please note that to be considered for the breed trophies you must send and up to date copy of the horse registration documents

- if you are not sure whether you have already sent a copy of this then please send another in with your registration card at the end of the year - better to be safe than sorry!!!!

Also please note that you need to register yourself and your partner for the Pairs Trophies for this year, by sending your names in to Sue Taylor-Green by 31/5/15.

We hope that this information is useful to you, and that the explanations are fairly straightforward, but if you do have any queries regarding them or your eligibility for an award please contact one of the committee.

Good Luck everyone and have a good season!!!!

Sue Taylor-Green

Pairs Trophies

Any pair of riders wanting to put their names forward for either the Chanel (two competitive horses or ponies) or Britannia (one competitive and one non-competitive horse or pony) Pairs trophies need to get their names to Sue Taylor Green by the 31 May at the very latest. See the Group Trophy List for more details on each trophy.

Lancashire Group Ride Schedule 2015

The rides listed here are definite but others will obviously be added later. Please see the national website (www.endurancegb.co.uk) for details of national rides.

Please contact the Ride Organisers directly for all queries about their ride, including the Ride Distances on offer at the ride. It is simplest to email the Ride Organiser. Email addresses are listed below where possible..... If you

need to phone Ride Organisers, please do so during sociable hours
i.e. Before 9pm at night!!!

**All the rides included on this list count towards Lancs Group Annual
Kilometerage Awards. Additionally all EGB National rides and other
EGB Group Social /Training rides will count.**

Sun 26th April 2015
Ulnes Walton Wander. Lancashire Group.
National Competitive Ride.
Please go to www.endurancegb.co.uk
for further details and ride schedule.
Entries to:- Sue Taylor-Green, Nursery Cottage, Ulnes Walton
Lane, Leyland Lancashire. PR26 8LU 01772 436043
suetaylorgreen@hotmail.com
Helpers required Sun

Saturday May 30th 2015
Chipping Ride
To be Confirmed
Helpers required Friday Sat

Sat 20th June 2015
Waterside Parishes Lancashire Social and Charity Ride
Entries To:- Angela Leadbetter Redroofs, Lancaster Rd, Preesall, Poulton-
le-Fylde FY6 0HN. 01253 810305 angela.leadbetter@talktalk.net
Helpers required Friday Sat

Sunday 28th June 2015 (New Ride)
Watergrove Lancashire Group Entries to:- Nicky Clarke
nickyclarke1999@hotmail.co.uk 01706 416353.
Sarah Bamber sarahbamber1@aol.com 01706 507933

Helpers required Sat Sun

Sunday 5th July 2015 (New Ride).
Pickup Bank Blast Lancashire Group.
Enquiries:- Sam Parkinson 07715 754039
Entries to Jenny Peacock Moorgate Cottage, Pickup Bank, Darwen, BB3
3QQ 07825 370186
Helpers required Sat Sun

Sunday 12th July 2015
SEABA Ride. SEABA Bridleways Association.
Entries and enquiries to Dale Taylor 11 Ivy Cottages, Haughton Green M34
7PZ . Email ivy.cottages@hotmail.co.uk. Tel:- 07507 114750. 7.30pm to
9pm only.

Saturday 25th July 2015
Knott End Ride Fylde Coast Bridleways
for more information please contact
j.broadhurst@hotmail.co.uk

Sunday 9th August 2015 (New Ride)
Medlock Valley Lancashire Group.
Entries to:- Jenny Rand,41 Parkway, Greave, Rochdale OL11 5EE
tel:07729655634
Enquiries to Jean Merchant 07814630999
This ride has to be confirmed.
Helpers required Sat Sun

Sat 22nd Aug 2015
Heapey Hack. Lancashire Group.
National Competitive Ride. Please go to www.endurancegb.co.uk.
for further details and ride schedule.
Entries to:- Sue Taylor-Green, Nursery Cottage, Ulmes Walton
Lane, Leyland Lancashire. PR26 8LU 01772
436043 suetaylorgreen@hotmail.com Helpers required Friday Sat

Saturday 5th September 2015
Formby Ride Lancashire Group.

The Lancashire Group of Endurance GB

Entries to:- Glenda Griffin Home Farm, George's Lane, Banks, Southport,
PR9 8HD 07714753576 for Poster/Ride email g.g135lark@hotmail.com
Enquiries to:- Jean Merchant 07814630999
Helpers required Friday Sat

20th Sept 2015

Seaba Decathlon. SEABA Bridleways Association.

Entries and enquiries to :- Dale Taylor 11 Ivy Cottages, Haughton Green
M34 7PZ . Email ivy.cottages@hotmail.co.uk. Tel:- 07507 114750. 7.30pm
to 9pm only.

Sunday 13th September 2015

Croal Irwell Valley. Lancashire Group.

Entries to:- Jenny Rand,41 Parkway, Greave, Rochdale OL11 5EE
tel:07729655634
Enquiries to Jean Merchant 07814630999

Helpers required Sat Sun

Sun 1st Nov 2015

Halloween Ride. Ulnes Walton Bridleways Ride.

Entries to:- Sue Taylor-Green, Nursery Cottage, Ulnes Walton
Lane, Leyland Lancashire. PR26 8LU 01772
436043 suetaylorgreen@hotmail.com

Saturday 3rd October 2015

Barton Ride, Lancashire Group

Entries to: Maxine Braithwaite (info to follow)

Enquiries to: Janet Bebbington jbebbington@btinternet.com or
Colin Proctor 07736468309 bingocol64@gmail.com

Please contact Sue Taylor-Green (01772 436043), for any additions or
amendments.

N.B. More rides to be added later, potential Ride Organisers please remember to complete Social/Charity Ride Proposal Form to book your date!!!

Rule changes for 2015

- 1) The first important change is the **Parental Consent Form** for those under 18 years old. A completed copy of this should be placed in an envelope (as it's confidential information) with your name printed on the front, and handed into the ride secretary when you collect your number bib, at any type of EGB Ride. It has been suggested that you pick it up again at the end of the ride and can use it again throughout the season however, the name of the ride is on the form which makes it a bit difficult to do that. A copy of the form is included with this newsletter and is downloadable from the national and the Lancs EGB sites.

- 2) **Ride Helpers** - there are two changes here:
 - i) **Everyone** who wishes to claim mileage and points for the 2015 Lancs Group awards needs to help in at least one Lancs Group ride this year. There is a space at the top of the 2015 Kilometrage Cards for you to have signed by the Ride Organiser of the ride you help at. This is not a punishment but the only way that we can continue to put rides on the schedule. Ride Organisers need help and if they don't get it there won't be any rides- it's as simple as that! So you need to plan your season ahead. Look at the Lancs Ride Schedule. There are at least 10 more Lancs Rides on there, including the two

competitive rides. Most need at least 6 or 7 helpers on the day, whilst the competitive ones need about 20!!!! Some need help marking the day before or clearing up the day after, so there are plenty of helping jobs available to make sure all our members have at least one opportunity to help, If you look on the Lancs Fixture list you will see the name of the ride organiser, and an indication of how many helpers they need. Please decide which you want to help at and let the organiser know as soon as possible, so that everyone knows what they are doing , and also that you make sure you have a ride to help at! It's no use waiting till September to help, and discover that all the helper jobs are taken! It also needs to be the rider who helps - not a friend or family member who stands in for them! Junior and Young Riders are excused from this, but if their horse is ridden by a senior rider as well, then the senior rider needs to do the helping! This change will not only ease the load on the Ride Organisers, but helpers might find it quite an enjoyable and informative experience.

- ii) This leads us to the more **training and development** aspect of helping at rides. There are several jobs at rides, ranging from ride entries secretary, ride day secretary, Time Keepers, vet writers, checkpoints to name a few. Often members say they would like to help but feel unconfident at performing the role. So we plan over this year and next to start a training programme for helpers, which might involve both formal training workshops and shadowing more experienced helps etc.

Additionally we are starting a **points system** for helpers who do more than the one compulsory helper job. Any member who helps at a ride can ask the Ride Organiser for a Ride Helper Card, which they keep all season (like the Horse Kilometerage Card) which is completed and signed at every ride they help at. Points are awarded each time and there will be a **NEW TROPHY** awarded at the Presentation Evening for the ride helpers with most points - something else to compete for!!!! After much debate it was decided that in this first season points awarded will be the same for all the different jobs i.e. 10 points per task but that Ride Organisers will be awarded 50 points to reflect the size of the task. If you do two jobs or help on two consecutive days, then 20 points can be gained. E.g. ride marking the day before and checkpoint steward on the ride day. Joint Ride Organisers will split the 50 points. I hope that this is explained clearly enough and that it encourages our membership to try out different helper roles. This should in turn make everyone's experience of rides a success.

3. Lancs Group Trophy Rule Changes - already mentioned in 'From the Chair'. There are several changes to the Trophy definitions so please check the list included with this newsletter. Most amendments involve a change in whether the trophy is awarded to the horse/pony or to the rider. E.g. Young Rider trophies are now awarded to the **rider** who gains most points, even if riding more than one horse/pony as the title of the trophy suggests, rather than **one** horse/pony ridden by a young rider.

4. New National Trophies – there are some changes to the EGB National Trophies which you may or may not be aware of. You need to register with the National EGB Office to be considered for these. Two new ones are The Pleasure Pairs Competition and the Teams of Three Award. These are in addition to the Green Dragon Team Award. See the main EGB site for details and send the horse and rider details to office@endurancegb.co.uk.

That's it for now folks!

Sue

Croal Irwell Ride

The Croal Irwell Valley Ride I took part in on the 15th March 2015 was only the fourth pleasure ride I have been on but it was by far the best. I had the pleasure of riding Tommy Piglet owned by the lovely Judy Ainley and he was incredibly well behaved, he was full of impulsion the whole time but fully under control which is always nice!

The route was very well set out and the whole event very well organised so thank you to Jenny Rand and everyone that was involved. We were fortunate enough to not have had lots of rain the few days beforehand so apart from the odd parts of the track that were like a bog, it was a fab terrain which allowed some beautiful canters.

There were times I had to put my safety into Tommy's hands as I was often laid flat against his neck trying to dodge all the branches, but he definitely looked after me. I was also looked after by the lovely Pauline McCartney and her gorgeous mare; if it wasn't for her I would have got lost and left Judy worrying in the car park, so a massive thank you too for looking after me!

I can happily say I have caught the pleasure ride bug and I am looking forward to many more pleasure rides - one day on my own horse.

Alice, 17, Garstang
Thank you very much

A BIG THANK YOU

To all who helped at the Croal Irwell Ride
You did a great job and everyone enjoyed themselves
on a wonderful ride.
From Ride Organisers Jean Merchant and Jenny Rand

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NOTICE TO RIDE ORGANISERS

Please remember to send your Ride Master Sheet to Pat Kelly as soon as possible, including the numbers of helpers you need for your ride.

NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS

If you want to register for the Lancs Group Pairs Trophies this year

**Don't forget to send your details (horses and partners)
to Sue Taylor-Green
By 31st May 2015**

**ANOTHER NOTICE!!!!
Riders and helpers needed for the ULNES WALTON
WANDER
26 April 2015**

ENDURANCE GB Parental consent form

To be completed by the parent/guardian of each young person (YP) under 18 attending a ride run on behalf of EGB.

Ride: Date of Ride:

Name of Young Person:

Date of Birth: YP Mobile No:

Doctors name: NHS Card No:

Declaration:

I have read the ride information relating to this ride and consent to my child taking part. I consent to my child receiving any medical or dental treatment, which, in the opinion of a qualified medical practitioner, may be necessary.

If applicable (delete if not): In my view, my child is capable of riding the class distance without an escort and is competent to deal with any difficulties which may arise.

If applicable: (delete if not): My child is taking part in a multi-day event and I am/not accompanying him/her. I consent to my child staying overnight with:

Name of accompanying adult:

Contact phone number:

Any special needs/disabilities:

Additional details: (any information, given in confidence, of which the organisers should be aware – specific dietary requirements, details of any medication, allergies including reaction to medication. Include religion, if applicable, to medical treatment.)

Any other information of which the Welfare Officer should be aware:

Parent/Guardian Emergency contact no:

Signed (Parent/guardian) Date:

This form should be put in a sealed envelope with the YP's name and kept by the Ride Sec for the duration of the event.

