

NORTH LANCS BRIDLEWAYS SOCIETY

Minutes of the meeting held on 11th January, 2011

1. Welcome: Eve Hall, Chairperson, welcomed existing members to the meeting and also two new members to NLBS, Kathy Alty and Denise Woodcock. Eve announced she had sent condolences to Andrea Litchman on behalf of her and NLBS on hearing of the tragic death of her son in a recent car crash. This is all the more tragic since previously she has lost another son in the same circumstances.

2. Apologies: Adele McLoughlin, Kate Lennox, Shirley Richardson, Sue Clowes, Steve and Linda Hobson and Pauline McCartney.

3. Minutes of Last Meeting: The date was altered, to correct the existing one, to 09.11.2010 and the minutes were then confirmed as a true and accurate record, first by Anne Twinam and seconded by Helen Wain.

4. Matters Arising: Lune Millennium Path. Kay reported that the relevant area is still very wet and is much longer now. The work promised by the council in November, 2010 has not yet been carried out, perhaps due to the bad weather.

5. Northern Side-Saddle Group: Have-Go-Day on 27.12.2010 proved very successful. Around eight members attended who all looked elegant and some managed to canter. Our thanks again to Julie Sico and Jean Marsden for arranging this and to Wray Green Equestrian Centre.

6. Local Rides: Four new ride leaflets to add to the existing folder. These cost £2:00 and can be obtained from Eve.

7. Bridleways News: Cumbria Bridleways Tack Sale will be held at Endmoor Village Hall on Sunday, 13th March, 2011 from 11am-3pm. Please take leaflets, photocopy them and distribute.

8. Christmas Meal: The menu for the meal was circulated for all to see. Those wishing to participate were able to order and pay for the meal. This was kindly handled by Sheila Kissak.

9. Countryside Access Cuts: For more information go to <http://cumbriacc.ning.com>. Natural England 800 redundancies. Cuts of 30%. DEFRA - The Pennine Trail is also losing jobs. Cutbacks will affect us.

10. BHS Officer: This post is still vacant. (This post is not restricted to NLBS members).

11. AOB; (i) Upgrade to bridleway of footpath at Fleagarth Woods. Some 30 or 40 years ago there were moves to register this path before it disappeared. This has now happened and there are rocks in place of the path. However, there could be a 'sea change' and it may reinstate itself. In order to secure its future NLBS needs to establish a claim. Roger Cartwright of Silverdale will help to this end. (ii) Windmarley - A lady contacted NLBS to say that she had been challenged by an individual on a quad bike whilst on a path. Fylde Coast Bridleways have looked into this and the path is not a BW. (iii) Eve rang Alice Roberts on behalf of NLBS to congratulate her on riding again after her accident on the Caton road last year, when she was badly injured and her horse had to be put down.

RDA Talk: The Speaker, who was to have given the talk on behalf of the RDA, was unable to come to the meeting so at very short notice Sharon Cash put together a power point presentation of her work for RDA. Sharon, on this occasion was helping out on a summer club activity day. Young people took part in equestrian disciplines throughout the day. Sharon

concentrated on Archie and we saw him riding different ponies, doing well and winning some lovely rosettes. Smiles all round. Our thanks to Sharon. Proceeds of the evening's raffle were donated to RDA amounting to £56:00.

**Date of next meeting at 7.30pm on 8th March, 2011 at Hest Bank Memorial Hall
Mr Tim Boardman, who gave us the talk on Equine Euthanasia, will be giving a talk on
Worming
Please come along and bring a friend**

Additional Information

For Sale Thorowgood Cob 17" GP black saddle, extra wide fitting, with changeable gullet. Little used & in vgc. Cost £420 new, will accept £100.

English leather 17" saddle, narrow/medium fit. Old, well cared for and very comfortable. £25
Tel 015242 633399 or e-mail anne@tathamfells.me.uk

For Sale Black Saddle Company Verona GP 18" saddle. Is adjustable but currently on widest fitting 11" from D ring to D ring. This is the cob version with 5 girth straps on each side. Lovely saddle in excellent condition. £275 or near offer. Tel 07716617771.

For Sale 15" Wintec GP saddle, black. Choice of Gullets :- green, red or white.

Also : Black Cottage Craft girth and 1 pr 4 1/2 inch stirrups.

All above bought for 12hh Welsh A, should fit up to 13hh+ Asking price is £150.

Contact: Diane Nelson 01524732672 / 07805368172 (Carnforth)

Dates for the diary:-

Sunday 13 February 2011 Countryfile have given an approximate transmission date for the BHS TREC Feature that sees Jules Hudson and his pairs partner Kathryn Bean (GBR TREC Team member) attempt a simulated TREC Competition set in Escrick Park, Yorkshire. For a full report, tune into Countryfile BBC 1 on Sunday 13 February at 6.30pm. This is a good way to get BHS TREC exposed to as many people as possible, so let friends and family know.

Sunday 10th April 2011 Black Combe pleasure ride. Venue: Beach car park, Stubb Place, near Bootle, Cumbria, LA19 5YA.

A ride of 18km (11 miles) or 27km (16 miles) over quiet roads & bridleways start time 10.00 – 11.00am Details: Andy Braithwaite, 2 Low Mill, Egremont, Cumbria, CA22 2UE

Tel 01946 821951 Entries £10 per rider can be sent to EGB pleasure ride form (cheques to BCB Supporters Club) also taken on the day. All riders will receive a rosette on completion.

Directions to venue: Turn off A595 in Bootle village signed for beach/station & follow on to beach. All riders require either EGB or SERC membership or 3rd party liability insurance.

Children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult.

Disclaimer: Neither the organisers nor any person acting on their behalf will accept liability for any loss, damage, accident or injury to any animal, persons or property, however caused.

All persons attending this event do so at their own risk. All riders must wear hats to BS EN 1384/PA015 with chin strap securely fastened and suitably heeled footwear when mounted.

10 - 12 June 2011 Summer Holidays Active Rider BHS POSITIVE PARTNERSHIPS CAMP
Details available on the web page for this event which can be viewed by following the link:

http://www.activerider.co.uk/camp_details.php?id=149

CAMP DETAILS ARE NOW UP AND RUNNING - WE ARE ABLE TO TAKE BOOKINGS FOR THE BHS CAMP - DEPOSITS £90