

## NORTH LANCS BRIDLEWAYS SOCIETY

### Minutes of the meeting held on 13 March 2012

1. **Welcome:** Eve welcomed all members especially new member Lorraine Chambers.
2. **Apologies:** Julie Seco.
3. **Minutes of Last Meeting** were confirmed as a true and accurate record proposed by Adele McLoughlin and seconded by Kate Lennox.
4. **Matters Arising:** (i) Christmas meal at The Smithy, Holme attracted ten guests and the meal was great. A good time was had by all. Our many thanks to Sheila Kissak for arranging this. A decision will be made as to whether to hold another next year.  
(ii) NW Coastal Trail: Eve reported that NLBS have submitted suggestions for approximately 25 miles of possible coastal trail from Cockerham in the South up to Jenny Brown's Point in Silverdale where it becomes Cumbria. Alasdair Lindop, the organiser, has contacted us to say he has received our proposal and we look forward to future meetings. Thank you to Liz Davidson and Kay Edwards for their work on this project.
5. **Barbara Hartley** has now completed her move to Wiltshire in order to be nearer to her daughters. Eve thanked Barbara for her tireless work for NLBS. It has taken six people to do what she achieved. A more comprehensive appreciation of her work will appear in the next Newsletter. Eve appealed to members to offer similar help. NLBS have presented Barbara with a house plaque depicting a Fell mare and foal for when she finds a new house.
6. **Whittington Races** Easter Saturday, 7th April, 2012. Help is required collecting entrance fees at the gate. NLBS receives a donation for our efforts and volunteers may enter the races free for the rest of the day. Contact Eve if you have not already signed the list.
7. **Fund-raising Ride:** NLBS Ride at Kirkby Lonsdale, Sunday, 29th April, 2012. Meet at Kirkby Lonsdale Rugby Club. Help is required in the car park, on gates, holding horses etc. NLBS is known for its well organised rides so please all help to make this the success it always is. Please help to advertise this event by putting up posters.
8. **Tarmac Road Surfaces at Hest Bank:** Kay contacted the BHS for guidance regarding slippery road surfaces and the Council was contacted to this end. Postscript to this, the surface has already been treated. Any slippery road surfaces can be logged on to [www.horseaccidents.org.uk](http://www.horseaccidents.org.uk) and [www.lancs.govt.uk](http://www.lancs.govt.uk)
9. **New Maps:** Now available. £3:50 buys an excellent value wallet of twelve new maps with instructions for tried and tested rides. There is also information regarding car parks etc. Contact Eve.
10. **AOB:** (i) Cantsfield BW: Jayne Elliot submitted a report to ask for a diversion order at Cantsfield BW through the River Greta. There were no objections and the three land owners have agreed to this change. The matter has now reached the legal stage so we are very hopeful that work can soon begin.  
(ii) Nature Improvement Area: Morecambe Bay area is to become one of Britain's first Nature Improvement Areas. Money for this project has been promised which may benefit NLBS in the AONB area at Silverdale.  
(iii) Eve thanked members for their used stamps.  
(iv) Forthcoming Events:

Sunday 22.04.2012 CBS Spring Tack Sale, Endmoor Village Hall  
Sunday 29.04. 2012 NLBS Fund-raising Ride, Kirkby Lonsdale  
06.05.2012 CBS Sue Gill Memorial Ride. Details to be announced  
Saturday/Sunday 26/27.05.2012 CBS Packs & Tracks, Westmorland Showground  
Sunday 27.06.2012 Penine BW Fun Ride, Horton Quarry, Settle. to celebrate the opening of the latest section of the Penine Bridleway. Car parking available at Horton Quarry. Contact Jane Cochrane 01759368303 janetcochrane@rideyorkshire.org  
Saturday 08.09.2012 RDA Pleasure Ride, Holker Hall. For further information visit [www.furnessrda.org.uk](http://www.furnessrda.org.uk)

To be arranged - a visit to John Moorhouse's yard at Cartmel. It is hoped to go to Cartmel one summer evening when John will give a demonstration on harness and harness driving.

Before declaring the meeting open Eve introduced Martin of Puncture Safe. [www.puncturesafe-northwest.co.uk](http://www.puncturesafe-northwest.co.uk) who, with the use of an advanced polymer gel will safeguard tyres against punctures. This polymer will instantly fix 95% of all punctures as they happen and filling the hole for the life of the tyre. Useful for all tyres including bicycles and wheelbarrows. Ring or Text 07588435888. It was suggested by Janet Casey that Martin comes to NLBS ride at Kirkby Lonsdale so that those wanting their tyres fixed could have them done there and then.

Helen Wain gave a talk and demonstration on biomechanics for the rider. This was informative and lively with audience participation and volunteers demonstrating different ways of sitting on bouncy balls and sedentary 'horse'. Helen undoubtedly left those members unfamiliar with this method, wishing for more information on the subject. A fun time had by all. [helenwain@talktalk.net](mailto:helenwain@talktalk.net)

**Next meeting AGM - NB Subs due**  
**Talk by Catherine Turner, Chartered Physiotherapist**  
**Physiotherapy for the Rider**  
**Tuesday, 8th May, 2012**  
**at Hest Bank Memorial Hall**  
**Please come along and bring a friend**

Please help petition for the withdrawal of fuel duty on the Air Ambulances by following link <http://epetitions.direct.gov.uk/petitions/29349> As some of you know from personal experience we are extremely reliant on the work of the air ambulance. There is currently a petition to encourage the Government to exempt the Air Ambulance services from duty on fuel in the same way that the RNLI is exempt. The campaign has gained over 100,000 signatures, so Parliament is duty bound to debate the issue.

**Hay for Sale:** good quality 2011 standard bales, approx 150-200, £3.00/bale. (Tatham) Tel: Ruth 015242 62860.

**Fell Pony for Sale.** 13.1hh, Monty will be 9 in June and I feel I've gone as far as I can with him, he needs to go and have some fun and get ridden lots by an enthusiastic youngster or adult who can make the most of him. He is a very friendly boy who loves attention, is good to lunge and ride, good with traffic and tractors but not seen fast traffic. He would show well, has plenty of bone and lots of feather. Needs to loose weight and be kept on minimum grass. He is well bred being a Townend Fell out of Drybarrows Duke and Townend Mulberry and grandsire Heltondale Josh.

He is barefoot and wears Easyboots in front. Will live in or out. No malice or vices. He is sociable, boxes, has been shod in the past. A very easy pony to do just needs encouragement.

Price is negotiable but would hope he is worth £2500.

Contact Pamela Bonnicks on email [scalehousefarm@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:scalehousefarm@hotmail.co.uk) or tel. 01768 896493

**Horse Wanted** – 14h-14.2. Cob type for a Mum to happy hack. Must be quiet to do, not spooky and very reliable in traffic. Age 7 – 15 preferred. Loving home in Cheshire awaits. Please contact Alison Roper at the Eden Valley Riding Centre on 015396-23444 or [alison@stonetrailholidays.com](mailto:alison@stonetrailholidays.com). A good price will be paid for the right horse.

**Wanted** a competent rider for kind 16.3hh rising 5 based at Capernwray.

Contact Andie 07976058457

**Pennine Prospects** has established a website with information on over 200 walks, cycle rides and horse rides throughout the South Pennines to inspire people to enjoy the wonderful landscape that's on their doorstep. There's also the opportunity to add to the website or organise a route for the annual Walk and Ride Festival in September. This is a free resource and very user friendly. For further information please contact Sue Leffman directly on 01422 846049, on the Pennine Prospects main office number 01422 847612 or via email at [sue.leffman@pennineprospects.co.uk](mailto:sue.leffman@pennineprospects.co.uk)

**Craven Country Ride Special Easter Trails Monday 9th April 2012** 10am to 12 noon. Booking essential [dcoates@totalise.co.uk](mailto:dcoates@totalise.co.uk) 01756 749300 David 07754 834756 [www.cravencountryride.co.uk](http://www.cravencountryride.co.uk) North Yorkshire BD23 4ED

**Confident Rider - Confident Horse - 2 sessions Wednesday 11th 19.00 - 21.00 and Saturday 14th April 13.00 to 16.00 or Wednesday 13th 19.00 - 21.00 and Saturday 16th June 13.00 – 16.00.** Neuro Linguistic Programming coach Christine Worthington and Rider Biomechanics coach Helen Wain are providing 2 sessions per course. The first session includes small group work and individual time on Bob - horse simulator. The second session includes you and your own horse to put into practise skills learnt during the first session enabling you to achieve a relaxed, balanced and confident ride. At JIGSAW, (Mawdesley Equine People Trust) Backhouse Stables, Off Hall Lane, Mawdesley, Lancs L40 2QY £65 for sessions one and two. To book call 07835 918644 or [cmworthington@btinternet.com](mailto:cmworthington@btinternet.com)

**Black Combe Pleasure Ride Sunday 15th April 2012** Venue Beach Car park, Stubb Place, nr Bootle, Cumbria, LA19 5YA. A ride of 18km (11 miles) or 27km (16 miles) over quiet roads and bridleways. Start time 10.00 – 11.00. Details Andy Braithwaite, 2, Low Mill, Egremont, Cumbria, CA22 2 UE tel. 01946821951. Entries £10 per rider. Entries can be sent on EGB pleasure ride form (cheques to BCB supporters club) or taken on the day. 3rd party liability insurance required. Children under 16 to be accompanied by an adult.

**Equine Agility Demon Wednesday April 18th 2012 @ 19.00** New Barn Riders. Dawn Rubens will be demonstrating at New Barns with some horses and ponies what this new sport is all about. To get a sneak preview check it out on <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WYtMbnpJd2M&feature=related> New Barn, Chelford Road, Ollerton, Cheshire, WA16 8SZ £5.00 on the door. Limited parking so if planning to attend email [lisapritchard@themodernhorse.co.uk](mailto:lisapritchard@themodernhorse.co.uk)

**CBS Spring Tack Sale Sunday 22nd April 11.00 – 13.00** held at **Endmoor Village Hall, nr Kendal** and includes some wonderful refreshments £1.00 on the door admission. £10.00 to book a table. To book a table contact Jane Armstrong Tel 07919661057

**World Horse Welfare Biting and Dentistry talk Thursday 26th April.** Biting by Heather Hyde designer for Neue Schule bits and Equine Dentist Paul Waudby at Penny Farm, Preston New Road, Blackpool FY4 5JS Limited places booking essential. Tickets £8.00 inc. hotpot supper Book 01253 766983. Riding club members free plus £3.00 for hotpot supper. Book with riding club [ejanebarnes@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:ejanebarnes@hotmail.co.uk).

**Sue Gill Memorial Ride Sunday 6th May 2012.** Short route 6.2 ml or long route 13.5 ml. Start (10am) and finish Cartmel Park. Entry fee £15 (£20 on day) All children 14 and under must be accompanied by an adult. All riders require public liability insurance. Proceeds to St. Mary's Hospice Ulverston. Entry forms from Carole Barr, Crook Barn, Torver, Nr. Coniston, CUMBRIA LA21 8BP 015394 41088 [Carolebarr2@aol.com](mailto:Carolebarr2@aol.com)

**Part 3 of BHS Trec Training Series 13th May** An introduction to the 3rd phase of the competition along with basic skills + knowledge required. Venue JIGSAW Mawdesley. Instructor Helen Wain. For further details contact Helen 01524736606

**Dolphinholme School ride on the Ninth (9) June.**

**Pennine Bridleway 17th June Fun ride** to celebrate the opening the latest section of the Pennine Bridleway. Car parking will be at Horton Quarry, Settle. For further details contact Janet Cochrane on. Phone 01759 368303 email: [janet.cochrane@rideyorkshire.org](mailto:janet.cochrane@rideyorkshire.org) web site: [rideyorkshire.org](http://rideyorkshire.org)

**Does your horse look good naked? Monday 20th June 18.30 - 21.00** at Wild Duck Hall, Bolton-le-Sands, Carnforth, Lancs, LA5 8ER. Ever wondered why your horse looks better under saddle or loose in a field. Experienced, qualified, coaches aim to provide some answers through

discussion and practical demonstrations / explanations. Further details ring Hiliary Wakefield on 07976 233695

**Equitation Science Clinic with Lisa Ashton on Sunday 1st July 2012** from 10.00 - 17.00. at Jigsaw, Backhouse Stables, Off Hall Lane, Mawdesley Lancs., L40 2 QY Lisa holds the highest qualifications for Equitation Science in UK more details [www.equitationscience.com](http://www.equitationscience.com). To book a place tel Sue Carr 01704822821 or email [admin@equinextra.com](mailto:admin@equinextra.com)

**BHS Postive Partnerships Camp 2012 3 - 5 August 2012** Reaseheath College North Cheshire - improve your confidence and develop your relationship with your horse. Includes:- Natural Horsemanship / TREC / Re-training / Flatwork / Polework / Jumping. £245 includes 2 nights accommodation for both horse and rider, as well as breakfast, lunch and dinner for the human, + 8 hours over 4 sessions training over Sat / Sun + unmounted demos / lectures. To book contact Julia McHugh 07515 721963 / Christine Worthington 07835918644 More details on [www.bhsnorthwest.org.uk](http://www.bhsnorthwest.org.uk)