

## NORTH LANCASHIRE BRIDLEWAYS SOCIETY

### Minutes of general meeting held on 11 September 2018

1. **Welcome and new members:** Eve welcomed everyone to the meeting and new member Lorna Buckley, who was the speaker at the last meeting. Membership now stands at 161.
2. **Apologies:** Kay Edwards, Laura Hirst, Petra Rowley, Anna Twiname, Sheena Robertson.
3. **Minutes of Last Meeting** were confirmed as a true and accurate record. Proposed: Kate Lennox, seconded Carol Dial.
4. **Matters Arising:** None.
5. **Help needed for ride Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October.** Members were encouraged to take part in the ride (forms available on our website) or to help out by volunteering to man a gate etc. Helpers to meet at 11 am on 7<sup>th</sup> October at Showground LA7 7NH to check locations etc. A list was sent round but anyone else who is able to help is asked to contact Eve Hall on 01524 824205
6. **NLBS Tack Sale - Sunday 28 October 2018** – Many thanks to Sue Hargreaves who has volunteered to organise refreshments. Help is still needed both in providing sandwiches and cakes, helping out on the day and clearing up at the end. A list was sent round, but anyone else who is able to help is asked to contact Eve Hall on 01524 824205.
7. **Bridleway News**
  - (i) Fred Gibson has been asked to fix a gate at Yealand and has been asked to repair one at Tunstall
  - (ii) Eskrigg Lane – following the clearance work parties with Cumbria Bridleways Society the Council can now mow it!
  - (iii) NLBS has received some correspondence about a possible bridleway at Silverdale.
8. **Road Safety** Members were encouraged to take posters and get them displayed at Supermarkets, Garages etc
9. **Memorial Hall Fire Safety.** Members were made aware of the procedure to be followed should the fire alarm bell sound.
10. **Compulsory Microchips.** A new law requiring horse owners to microchip their animals has been introduced. From 2020, every horse will need to be microchipped. It will cost approx. £25-£30 to carry out. There will be a £200 penalty for failure to carry this out
11. **Any other business:**
  - i) **Memorial Hall Committee** – if anyone is willing to serve on this Committee, please contact Eve.
  - ii) **TREC success**– Liz and Indy came 25<sup>th</sup> overall at the recent European Championships in Italy. She was the highest placed Brit! Jess Wain and Willow were part of the Young Riders Team who came 5<sup>th</sup> overall! Congratulations to both!
  - iii) **Cockerham Ride** 23<sup>rd</sup> September in aid of The Sands Care Home.  
Facebook page [www.facebook.com/pages/the-Annual-Cockerham-Charity-Ride](https://www.facebook.com/pages/the-Annual-Cockerham-Charity-Ride)
  - iv) **Holker Hall Ride** in aid of RDA. 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2018  
Details at [www.furnessrda.org.uk](http://www.furnessrda.org.uk)
  - v) Members were able to view the reply from an MP to a letter about the Agriculture Bill. A recent email circulated encouraged members of NLBS to write to their own MP's about this.

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Linda Gregory gave a most interesting talk about her experiences in Driving including her highly successful participation in international competitions and also her more recent work in designing and making Equilin Saddlebags.

**Next meeting: Tuesday, 13 November 2017**

**The speaker is to be confirmed.**

**Hest Bank Memorial Hall, LA2 6JB**

**Please come along and bring a friend**