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**Questionnaire.** PLEASE will you take the time and trouble to fill this in and send back to membership secretary. We have all completed forms on file and we use the information to organise events that fit your requirements. If we do not receive yours you will find that we might just "ask you again". Many thanks for your time- it really does mean that you have a chance to have a say in what is organised for you.

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### ***A welcome from your President***

Hello everyone

***A special welcome to members new and old [and non members too!]***

Well here we are again at the end of what I hope was for you all; a successful and more importantly enjoyable show season. The clubs calendar kicked off earlier in the year with "MHCGB Spring Fling Miniature Horse Show", which we are very pleased to announce went exceptionally well and was thoroughly enjoyed by many of you. Our judge was Mr Wayne Hipsley from Kentucky USA. Probably one of the worlds top miniature horse judges. Those of you who have met Mr Hipsley in the past know how keen he was to share his knowledge and how very approachable he was. More details, pictures and results inside.

As you can probably see we have a new club logo and new style newsletter which now has a new Editor, many thanks to Maxine Foulkes for her time and effort.

We are working very hard to try and serve you the members and bring mini fun to your area, if you have ideas or would like to help as an area representative please feel free to contact any of the committee at anytime with your thoughts. We are always willing to find the time to have a 'chat' with you.

Wishing you all have had a successful show & foaling season, and hope to see as many of you as possible before the end of the year and at some of the winter events that we have planned. Please come and introduce yourself it is really nice to be able to put a face to a name and membership number.

Kind Regards

*Jill Robinson*

President

## ***An additional welcome from your new News Review Editor and Membership Secretary***

Firstly may I take this opportunity to introduce myself as the new Membership Secretary. I have also taken over the responsibility for producing the quarterly News review for the Miniature Horse Club of Great Britain since it's founder Pricilla Cox emigrated to the sunny State of Texas. I am sure you will join with me in wishing her well.

My name is Maxine Foulkes, I am Head of Lower School in a large Primary School in the Midlands and I have been involved with showing ridden and in hand ponies for over 30 years. More recently ( 5 years ago) my daughter and I have become involved with the 'addictive world' of The Miniature Horse. In fact it is probably Claudia, if you are involved with showing that you have probably seen around. Usually dressed in lilac ( now changed to cerise pink )with a bowler hat to be seen telling her groom, ME! what I have or have not managed to do.

We have Four Miniatures at present, all little girls who are all shown. These will be added to in the Autumn by two of this years foals. We are presently trying to breed our first foal and have one of our girls at stud so I shall be glad of any advice that all you experienced breeders out there can give me.

I start this news review with an apology for it's late mailing. It was due to be sent out in May but it is like anything new it always takes a lot longer the first time and we were very keen to produce a professional publication. ( I would welcome any comments good or bad please- everything needs to be updated in order to improve). Since your last News Review (previously called The Mini Neigh) we have worked exceptionally hard to offer members a whole wealth of Miniature related activities and publications. These are being added to all the time. Our membership has grown a staggering 520% since January proving that Miniature owners do want to be involved in all sorts of activities along side showing.

Your membership of £15 goes towards covering the cost of printing, postage, publications and the lovely rosettes and certificates that we are now offering to members at shows affiliated to us. We have also started to purchase Miniature equipment that can be enjoyed by all. We have just taken delivery of a set of lightweight plastic "Miniature jumps" which will be used at MHCGB affiliated shows and displays.

We do need to fund raise in other ways to keep improving (ideas please).

Because of the enormous increase in membership we are sad to say that we have to be realistic now and only offer the News Review to fully paid up members. Please take the time to familiarise yourself with the new increased benefits to members. There have been a lot of changes since January with many more planned - we would like you to be apart of these. So if you are currently NOT a member perhaps we can entice you to become one next year.

From January 2004 all MHCGB affiliated shows will require you to be a member in order to exhibit. *Our 2004 list is growing all the time with many more shows offered.*

Very best wishes to you all *Maxine Foulkes*

# MHCGB Affiliated Show Results and Reports.

## April 20<sup>th</sup> 2003 The MHCGB Spring Fling Stockton on Tees

The club committee had worked hard over the Winter Months to put together our first show. We employed the services of Senior AMHA judge Mr Wayne Hipsley which was a big decision to make not knowing the quantity of entries that we would receive. An email to me from Mr Duane McPherson, the Chief Executive of AMHA informing me that he wished to attend our show, really made up our minds to make the show as big a success as possible. We had 67 horses entered for the show, which was an excellent start to the showing calendar. Mr Hipsley gave a very informative commentary following each class on how he had placed each horse, this was well received by exhibitors and the very large audience, many of them were having their first introduction to showing Miniature Horses. We rounded the day off with the championships. Supreme of the Day was Mrs Gill Jones' Looking Glass Inspiration shown by Carol Cooper.

Following the show exhibitors had a more informal chance to meet with Mr Hipsley, Duane and his wife Vicky, who was former employee of AMHA, when they joined us for a Bar B Que.

I hope all of you that attended enjoyed your day.

### Following the show Mr Hipsley had the following to say

"I was very impressed with the participation in the first AMHA sponsored Miniature Horse show in England. The overall quality of the horses was very competitive with horses at the major horse shows in the United States."

"The turnout of the exhibitors was excellent for a new show, with a "new" breed in England. Everyone who participated appeared to understand the importance of a positive image, and showmanship."

"The feedback on the commentary after each class was a fantastic method to provide the exhibitors an opportunity to understand their strengths and weaknesses of their horses as well as their showmanship. It also stimulated questions to assist exhibitors on a private basis."

"The obstacle class presented a new challenge for some of the competitors, one that they proved to be very qualified to meet the challenge. The Miniatures continued to prove the ability to be handy, and trainable for the obstacle work."

"Overall, the show was a great first step in demonstrating the Miniature Horse to a new audience while providing members a venue for their horses."

Wayne G. Hipsley, BSc., MSc.

Hipsley & Associates

International Equine Consultants

Lexington, Kentucky

### YEARLING, REFINED TYPE

G Jones Minstrels Crème de la Crème 1<sup>st</sup>

J Hunt Toyhorse Count Dakota 2<sup>nd</sup>

P Leighton NCF Peaches N Cream 3<sup>rd</sup>

C King MH Buccaneer 4<sup>th</sup>

S O'Neil Kilcummer Mona Lisa 5<sup>th</sup>

FL M Armitage Aesthete Thumberlina 6<sup>th</sup>

### TWO YEAR OLD, REFINED TYPE

C King MH Tuff E Nuff 1<sup>st</sup>

M Foulkes Conundrum Tai Sea Nymph 2<sup>nd</sup>

D Hesketh Micados Blackthorn 3<sup>rd</sup>

Leighton NCF Neat N Petite 4<sup>th</sup>

J Hunt Toyhorse Challenger 5<sup>th</sup>

G Sheldon Minstrels Unbelievable 6<sup>th</sup>

### THREE YEAR OLD REFINED TYPE

G Jones Looking Glass Inspiration 1<sup>st</sup>

S O'Neil Kilcummer Spots Galore 2<sup>nd</sup>

M Foulkes Conundrum Darcy Bustle 3<sup>rd</sup>

Mrs C Rowbottom Mithaven Spot of Cognac 4<sup>th</sup>

### YEARLING, DRAFT TYPE

FLM Armitage Windmill Farms Babycham 1<sup>st</sup>

### TWO YEAR OLD DRAFT TYPE

S L M Armitage Toyhorse Prince Donatus 1<sup>st</sup>

G Jones Looking Glass Black is Beautiful 2<sup>nd</sup>

J Brunton L G Spirit of Adventure 3<sup>rd</sup>

Thomson Brandeston Denedict 4<sup>th</sup>

### THREE YEAR OLD, DRAFT TYPE

J Hunt Pottercross Goldie 1<sup>st</sup>

P A Robson Klayaz Keba 2<sup>nd</sup>

### FOUR YEARS AND OVER, REFINED TYPE.

M Foulkes Looking Glass Fabuella 1<sup>st</sup>

Mrs C Rowbottom Aesthete the Sorcerer 2<sup>nd</sup>

C Cooper Longmeadow Charles 3<sup>rd</sup>

**FOUR YEARS AND OVER, DRAFT TYPE.**

S Evans Toyland Picante Bey 1<sup>st</sup>  
 PA Robson So Bo of Brindister 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 SLM Armitage chatsworth master bob 3<sup>rd</sup>  
 J Hunt Rosedene Tiny Tim 4<sup>th</sup>  
 C Cooper Longmeadow charles 5<sup>th</sup>  
 S O'Neil Easter Boy of Roinja 6<sup>th</sup>

**REFINED HORSE CHAMPIONSHIP**  
**Champion Looking Glass Inspiration**  
**Reserve champion MH Tuff E Nuff**
**DRAFT HORSE CHAMPIONSHIP**  
**Champion Toyland Picante Bey**  
**reserve champion Sobo of Brindister**
**AMHA REGISTERED HORSE CHAMPIONSHIP**

Champion Dell Teras Deltas Joe Berry  
 Reserve champion MH Tuff E Nuff

**OVERHEIGHT CLASS**

C Cooper Minstrels My Little Deer 1<sup>st</sup>  
 SLM Armitage Hallmarked Bright Bullion 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 G Jones Minstrels Talent Scout 3<sup>rd</sup>  
 C Rowbottom Hallmarked Faberge Finesse 4<sup>th</sup>  
 D Underwood Knix Fion 5<sup>th</sup>  
 D Underwood Firth Hideaway 6<sup>th</sup>

**SPOTTED**

S O'Neil Kilcummer Monalisa 1<sup>st</sup>  
 S O'Neil Kilcummer Spots Galore 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 C Cooper Minstrels My Little Deer 3<sup>rd</sup>  
 S O'Neil Easter Boy of Roinja 4<sup>th</sup>  
 P Tindale Tom Thumb 5<sup>th</sup>  
 SLM Armitage Hallmarked Bright Bullion 6<sup>th</sup>

**JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP**

C Foulkes Conundrum Darcy Bustle 1<sup>st</sup>  
 A Ball NCF As If By Magic 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 J Brunton Looking Glass Spirit of Adventure. 3<sup>rd</sup>  
 SLM Armitage Blackmins Minnie Mouse 4<sup>th</sup>  
 M Darragh NCF Princess Tinkerbelle 5<sup>th</sup>

**HALTER OBSTACLE**

1<sup>st</sup> J Robinson Dell Teras Deltas Joe Berry  
 2<sup>nd</sup> J Hunt Rosedene Tiny Tim  
 3<sup>rd</sup> C Cooper  
 4<sup>th</sup> C Foulkes Conundrum Darcy Bustle  
 5<sup>th</sup> J Hunt Pottercross Goldie  
 6<sup>th</sup> SLM Armitage Oaklodge Whispers

**DRIVING CLASS**

J Robinson Dell Teras Deltas Joe Berry 1<sup>st</sup>

**AMHA REGISTERED MARE**

J Robinson Scott Creek Monarch Mocha 1<sup>st</sup>

**AMHA REGISTERED STALLION OR GELDING**

J Robinson Dell Teras Deltas Joe Berry 1<sup>st</sup>  
 C King MH Tuff E Nuff 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 S Evans Toyland Picante Bey 3<sup>rd</sup>  
 J Robinson Royal Oak mystical silver moon 4<sup>th</sup>  
 SLM Armitage Aesthete Apache Warpaint 5<sup>th</sup>  
 C King MH Buccaneer 6<sup>th</sup>

**BROKEN COLOUR,**

C King MH Tuff E Nuff 1<sup>st</sup>  
 G Jones Minstrels Talent Scout 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 J Hunt Rosedene tiny tim 3<sup>rd</sup>  
 SLM Armitage Aesthete Thumberlina 4<sup>th</sup>  
 SLM Armitage Aesthete Apache Warpaint 5<sup>th</sup>  
 G Sheldon Minstrels Unbelievable 6<sup>th</sup>

**SOLID COLOUR**

372 G Jones Looking Glass Inspiration 1<sup>st</sup>  
 M Foulkes Looking Glass Fabuella 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 G Jones Minstrels Crème De la Crème 3<sup>rd</sup>  
 D Hesketh Micatos Blackthorn 4<sup>th</sup>  
 P Leighton NCF Neat n Petite 5<sup>th</sup>  
 R Johnson Windmill Farm Edward 6<sup>th</sup>

**COLOUR CHAMPIONSHIP**

**Champion. MH Tuff E Nuff · Reserve champion**  
**Looking glass Inspiration**

**SENIOR SHOWMANSHIP**

Julie Hunt Rosedene Tiny Tim 1<sup>st</sup>  
 Sally Hunter NCF As If By Magic 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 S L M Armitage Hallmarked Bright Bullion 3<sup>rd</sup>  
 P Robson SoBo of Brindister 4<sup>th</sup>

**JUMPING CLASS**

J Robinson Dell Teras Deltas Joe Berry 1<sup>st</sup>  
 J Hunt Rosedene Tiny tim 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 J Hunt Pottercross Goldie 3<sup>rd</sup>  
 SLM Armitage Blackmins Mini Mouse 4<sup>th</sup>  
 C Foulkes Looking Glass Fabuella 5<sup>th</sup>

**LIBERTY**

J Robinson NCF As If By Magic 1<sup>st</sup>  
 C Foulkes Looking Glass Fabuella 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 G Jones Minstrels Talent Scout 3<sup>rd</sup>  
 G Jones Looking Glass Black is Beautiful 4<sup>th</sup>  
 C Cooper Minstrels My Little Deer 5<sup>th</sup>

**SUPREME CHAMPIONSHIP**

**Supreme Champion · Looking Glass Inspiration**

**Res. Supreme Champion Dell Teras Deltas Joe Berry**

**=May 11<sup>th</sup> Hambleton and District Riding Club Northallerton  
Judge Mrs Vivienne Hogg**

**Yearlings**

1st Scott Lavelle NCF Princess Tinkerbell  
2nd Patti Leighton NCF Peaches N Cream  
3rd Sharon O'Neil Kilcummer Angel  
4th Julie Hunt Potter Cross Jubilee Jasper

**4 Year olds.**

1st Julie Hunt Rosedene Tiny Tim

**Solid coloured**

1st Scott Lavelle NCF Princess Tinkerbell  
2nd Patti Leighton NCF Neat N Petite  
3rd Julie Hunt Toyhorse Challenger

**2 & 3 Year olds.**

1st Patti Leighton NCF Neat N Petite  
2nd Julie Hunt Toyhorse Challenger  
3rd Sharon O'Neil Kilcummer Spots Galore  
4th Kate Finley ( sorry Kate do not remember who you were showing)  
5th Marianne Lavell Looking Glass Black is Beautiful

**Coloured/Spotted.**

1st Sharon O'Neil Kilcummer Spots Galore  
2nd Kate Finley ( sorry Kate do not remember who you were showing)  
3rd Julie Hunt Rosedene Tiny Tim  
4th William Redfin Easter Boy of Roinja  
5th Julie Hunt ( sorry Julie do not remember who you were showing)  
6th Marianne Lavell Looking Glass Black is Beautiful

**June 22<sup>nd</sup> Derbyshire County Show  
Judge Mrs J P Stacey**

The main ring was our venue for Derbyshire County Show. What a fabulous chance to showcase our miniature horses in front of an appreciative audience. The clash of Northern Horse hosting HOYS qualifiers did make an impact on entries, nevertheless quality was high and competition fierce. Kindly judged by Mrs Stacey, a senior Hack, Cob and Riding Horse judge, but new to the miniature horse world. Mrs Stacey commented afterwards 'She was absolutely intrigued by our horses' and has kindly agreed to join our judges panel. Another scorching hot day, made us all glad of the early start to the classes. The club had the added boost of a photo and write up for this show in Horse and Hound magazine.

**Yearling**

1st Jill Robinson Scott Creek Monarch Mocha  
2nd Jill Robinson NCF As If By Magic  
3rd Janice Goudie NCF Little Sweetheart  
4th Janice Goudie Looking Glass Moviestar  
5th Janice Goudie Looking Glass Wild Scarlett

**2 & 3 year olds**

1st Janice Goudie Looking Glass Baby Rocco  
2nd Claudia Foulkes Coundrum Tia Sea Nymph  
3rd Dorothy Hesketh Micatos Blackthorn

**4 years & over**

1st Jill Robinson Dell Teras Deltas Joe Berry  
2nd Claudia Foulkes Looking Glass Fabuella  
3rd Jill Robinson Cascades Magic Charm

**Champion Dell Teras Deltas Joe Berry**

**Reserve champion Scott Creek Monarch Mocha**

**June 29<sup>th</sup> NCPA North Yorks & Co Durham Summer Show Kirkleatham Showground Redcar.  
Judge Mrs N Clayton**

**Yearlings**

1st Jill Robinson Scott Creek Monarch Mocha  
2nd Jill Robinson NCF As If By Magic  
3rd Janice Goudie NCF Little Sweetheart  
4th Scott Lavelle NCF Princess Tinkerbell  
5th Julie Hunt Toyhorse Count Dakota  
6th Janice Goudie Looking Glass Wild Scarlett

**2 & 3 year olds**

1st Jill Robinson Royal Oaks Mystic Silver Moon  
2nd Marianne Lavelle NCF Sweet N Petite  
3rd Janice Goudie Looking Glass Baby Rocco  
4th Dorothy Hesketh Micatos Blackthorn  
5th Julie Hunt Toyhorse Challenger  
6th Dorothy Lavelle Looking Glass Black is Beautiful

**4 years & over**

1st Jill Robinson Cascades Magic Charm  
2nd Julie Hunt Rosedene Tiny Tim

**CHAMPION ROYAL OAKS MYSTICAL SILVER MOON  
RESERVE CHAMPION**



## *Spotlight on Members*

Featuring

### Vandeena Miniatures

<http://groups.msn.com/vandeenashowteam>

Vandeena is a family run show team, we only at this moment in time have colts or stallions. our licenced stallions are brandon forbes and plumtree jango . brandon forbes is bmhs and imhps licenced , he is palomino and was in 2002 accepted into the palomino register, where he will soon be added on their stallion list.

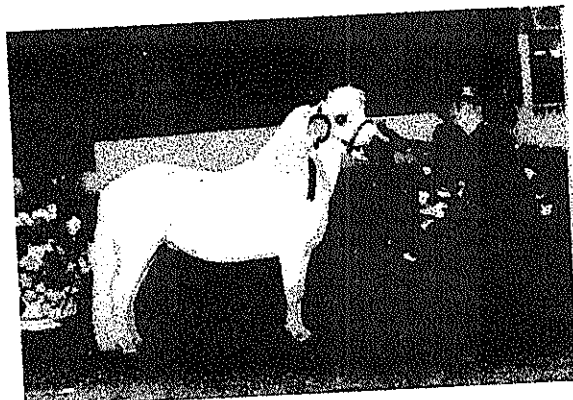
plumtree jango is imhps licenced , he is chestnut.

we are jackie ,david and our daughters vicky, donna & abbie johnson. we live in west yorks , and we try to get to most shows throughout the year, we own horses registered with a number of society's and are also members of various society's , we own aesthete pied piper who was the youngstock champion, res male champion, and 2nd res supreme champion all at the 2002 uttoxeter bspps show, and was res champion imhps at beamish 2002. he has many champion and supreme titles.

brandon forbes who has been champion miniature , champion colt, champion 2/3 yr old, and res supreme in show many times, he was the points supreme at nmesa 2002, and was also res points champion at aesthete, he also has been res supreme shetland at mhoys and champion 2yr old shetland, way too many to write.



aesthete pied piper

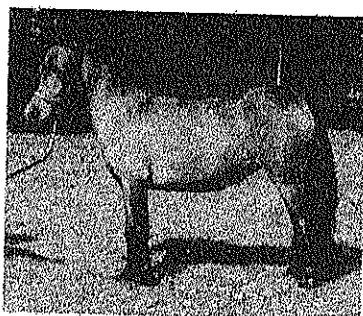


brandon forbes

aesthete merlinus pure falabella colt, supreme imhps champion ,champion falabella, champion colt, champion miniature , 1st falabella aesthete 2002, amongst a wonderful line up. many titles to his name.



# ***We present our 2002 Champions.....***



*WC Olympia*

*National Champion yearling filly - France 2002.*

*Horse of the year - France 2002.*

*Champion Best Presentation - France and Belgium 2002.*

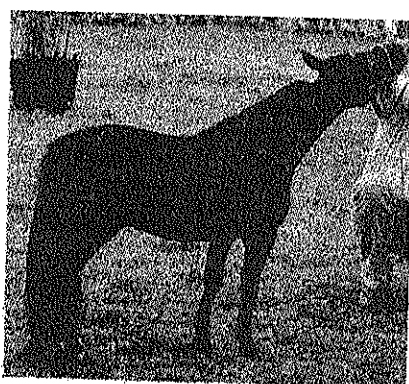
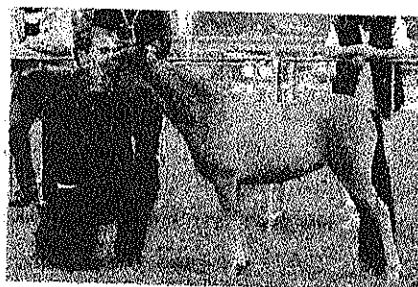
*WC Aurora*

*National Champion yearling filly - Belgium 2002.*

*National Grand Champion junior mare - Belgium 2002.*

*National Grand Champion Mare - Belgium 2002.*

*Champion yearling mare - Belgium American Show 2002.*



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*National Champion yearling colt - Belgium American Show 2002.*

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## *Select a show horse.*

**You've been to show, caught sight of these amazing little horses and how you are hooked!!!  
You need one of your own. But where to start?**

**Showing can be exciting, rewarding and confusing; so here is the beginners guide  
to finding your ideal show horse.**

Remember miniatures come in all shapes and sizes and an array of colours be open minded when you look around, once you have viewed a number of horses you will have a specific goal in mind.

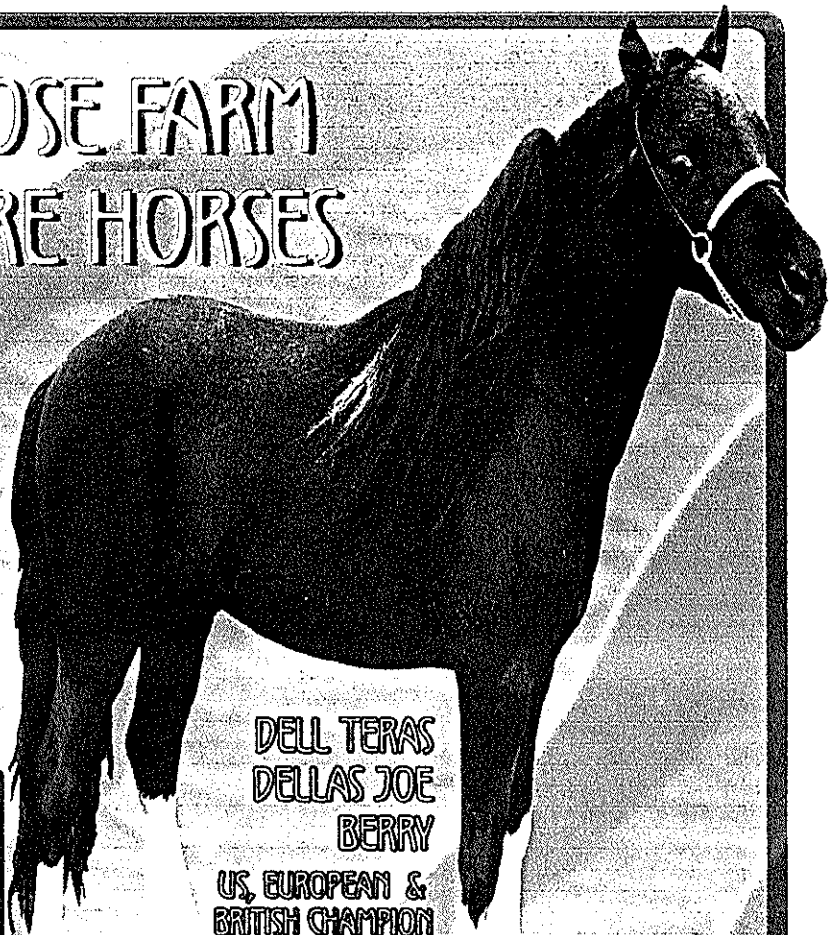
- Ask breed societies for their list of breeders, try to visit as many studs as you can. Prices vary dramatically, depending on bloodlines and the success rate of that stud in the show ring, so ask for a sales list so as not to waste your time and the studs time.
- Pet prices will start at a few hundred pounds, top show horses could be tens of thousands of pounds have a budget in mind.
- Take an experienced person along with you. A current horse owner or breeder will be a good choice, a second opinion is valuable when viewing horses.
- Don't fall in love with the first horse you see. It's easy when you're excited and motivated to buy the first horse you look at. Does this horse really meet your objectives.
- Take a measuring stick or ask to see the horse measured, most breeders will be willing to measure for you; does the horse come with a height guarantee? In other words if the horse goes over height will you be given any refund?
- Ask to see pedigrees; all horses by the end of 2003 will have a passport with their recorded pedigree.
- Ask to see the horse on the move. To days show horse should have near perfect conformation. This is where experience is needed. Watch the horse's movement, do the legs move straight. Does he have that 'look at me' attitude?
- Does this horse appeal to you? You have to look at him 24. 7 the judge will see him a handful of times a year.
- If you are buying a foal that is not yet weaned, be prepared to pay a deposit and ask for a receipt. Take a good look around are you happy leaving your new foal in his present surroundings? Are the paddocks secure, weed free, what about vaccinations and worming? It may be a good idea to insure your new purchase. Ask if you can visit regularly.
- Ask to see the parents of the horse, if they are available, do they each have a proven show record?
- Right decision made. It is always a good idea to have the horse vetted, tell the vet you are purchasing the horse as a future show prospect he will then give his opinion of conformation.
- All being well, bring your horse home and now the real addiction starts.....

*Kindly contributed by Jill Robinson.*

# NCF NEW CLOSE FARM MINIATURE HORSES

## EXTREME MINIATURE HORSES

...THAT STAND OUT FROM THE CROWD



DELL TERAS  
DELLAS JOE  
BERRY  
US, EUROPEAN &  
BRITISH CHAMPION  
STALLION



CASCADES MAGIC CHARM  
MULTI CHAMPION STALLION

### ROYAL OAKS SPARKLING CONFETTI

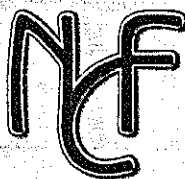
2002 HORSE OF  
THE YEAR SHOW  
CHAMPION



IF EXTREME IS  
YOUR DREAM,  
LET OUR FOALS  
BE YOUR GOAL



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## Introducing this year for our members

### The Miniature Horse Club of Great Britain

## High Point Championship.

We have introduced a High Point Championship for 2003. There will be 15 High Point Champions each receiving a trophy to keep for one year.

The High Point Champions will be the horse/ child handler with the most points in each section consisting of:-

1. Yearling,
2. Two year old,
3. Three year old,
4. Four years and over,
5. Stallion,
6. Mare,
7. Gelding,
8. Performance,
9. AMHA registered,
10. Solid colour
11. Broken coloured,
12. Spotted,
13. Falabella,
14. Best newcomer (awarded to a first season exhibitor in Miniature Classes)
15. Child Handler (not over 16 years on the 1<sup>st</sup> January)

***As you can see we have tried to cater for absolutely everyone. As a club we strongly believe that all our members are equal no matter at which level they show at or how many Miniatures they own .***

***After all not all our members have the desire to qualify for HOYS.***

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Collect points at any shows you attend with your Miniature and have the card signed by either the judge or the show secretary.

You will need a separate card for each Miniature that you show.  
Points are awarded on the following basis:-

CATEGORIES						
1. Affiliated MHCGB Classes	2. Performance Classes Driving, Jumping, Obstacle, Liberty					
3. Any Other Affiliated Classes IMHPS, BMHS, CHAPS, BSPA, etc.	4. Utility Showing Showmanship, Colour, Best Conditioned, etc					
POINTS SYSTEM						
Category	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
1	150	140	130	120	110	100
2	100	90	80	70	60	50
3	80	70	60	50	40	30
4	30	25	20	15	10	5
Championship	100pts	Reserve Champion		50pts		
Supreme	200pts	Reserve Supreme		150pts		

**Send your completed card to the Club Secretary by 1<sup>st</sup> November.**

All completed cards will receive a beautiful club rosette. There will be a High Point championship Awards Presentation Evening in November to present the trophies to the winners.

So send a SAE with £5 entrance fee to:- Mrs J Robinson for your High Point Card and start collecting your points today.

## IMPORTANT

Please note The Miniature Horse Club of Great Britain is a non-profit making organisation. The money raised from the sale of the Championship Cards will go directly back to the members in the form of awards etc. not fortunate enough to be covered by sponsorship.

Awards that you would be very proud to take home and display!

### Urgent Sponsorship Request

*Could you be generous enough to kindly sponsor a High Point Championship in the form of a Trophy and quality Sash. These items could be engraved/ gold blocked with the name of your stud, business or the name of a fondly remembered Miniature or pet that may no longer be with you. The design, colour of award and choice of championship would be entirely your own.*

The Championship prize you sponsor will be named after your stud/business and could be known as The ..... Yearling Championship for example.

Please, please think about supporting us. The cost will not be great. Join together with a friend if you would prefer.

**Please contact Jill Robinson 01642 534544**

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## *Projecting the Mature Height of your Miniature Horse*

The end of the breeding season is fast approaching. You inspect your prize youngstock.  
 Will they be good enough to possibly win us a class?  
 But one question that we all worryingly ask ourselves is how much will he or she grow?  
 Is there any danger that our future champion may go over height?

*The chart below may help to settle your mind or send you into a state of paranoia depending on your little darling's measurement.*

Before you measure your Miniature make sure that they 1. have had their feet trimmed recently 2. that they are standing square and still, on hard level ground 3. that their head is approximately level with their withers..

Projected Mature Height	28"	29"	30"	31"	32"	33"	34"	36"
Birth	18.20"	18.85"	19.50"	20.15"	20.80"	21.45"	21.95"	23.40"
One Month	19.60"	20.30"	21.00"	21.70"	22.40"	23.10"	23.80"	25.20"
Two Months	21.56"	22.33"	23.10"	23.87"	24.64"	25.41"	26.18"	27.72"
Three Months	22.40"	23.20"	24.00"	24.80"	25.60"	26.40"	27.20"	28.80"
Four Months	22.96"	23.78"	24.60"	25.42"	26.24"	27.06"	27.88"	29.52"
Five Months	23.52"	24.36"	25.20"	26.04"	26.88"	27.72"	28.56"	30.24"
Six Months	23.80"	24.65"	25.50"	26.35"	27.20"	28.05"	28.90"	30.60"
Seven Months	24.08"	24.94"	25.80"	26.66"	27.52"	28.38"	29.24"	30.96"
Eight Months	24.36"	25.23"	26.10"	26.97"	27.84"	28.71"	29.58"	31.32"
Nine Months	24.64"	25.52"	26.40"	27.28"	28.16"	29.04"	29.92"	31.68"
One Year	25.20"	26.10"	27.00"	27.90"	28.80"	29.70"	30.60"	32.40"
Fifteen Months	25.76"	26.68"	27.60"	28.52"	29.44"	30.36"	31.29"	33.12"
Eighteen Months	26.32"	27.26"	28.20"	29.14"	30.08"	31.02"	31.96"	33.84"
Twenty-one Months	26.74"	27.70"	28.65"	29.61"	30.56"	31.52"	32.47"	34.38"
Two Years	27.16"	28.13"	29.10"	30.07"	31.04"	32.07"	32.98"	34.82"
Thirty Months	27.58"	28.57"	29.55"	30.54"	31.52"	32.51"	33.49"	35.46"
Thirty-Six Months	28.00"	29.00"	30.00"	31.00"	32.00"	33.00"	34.00"	36.00"

Please note that chart is 90% accurate within 1/2" + or - and is based upon the American way of measuring from the last hair of the mane



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## ***Miniature Horse Club of Great Britain* SHOW RULES.**

### **(1) REGULATIONS.**

1. Horses must be entered in the correct class, observing the correct age.  
No Miniature will exceed 34" in height at maturity. Except in the specified overheight class where the height limit will be 38".
2. Handlers must be suitably turned out. Hats, gloves, boots and jackets are required. Training shoes are optional for performance classes.
3. The judges decision is final.
4. Exhibitors are required to withdraw from a class if the judge has an interest in his or her exhibit. For the purposes of this rule, a judge has an interest in an exhibit if he/she has bred, owned, trained or has a financial interest in it.
5. Any horse acting in an unruly manner will be excused from the ring by the judge or steward for safety reasons.
6. The names of exhibits will not be made known to the judge until after the class. Exhibitors will be issued with a number for each horse that must be displayed whilst that horse is in the ring.
7. Cruelty, abuse or inhumane treatment of any horse, will not be tolerated by show management and the offender will be barred for the duration of the show.
8. Conduct by an exhibitor, trainer or owner deemed unsportsman like, abusive or detrimental will not be tolerated the MHCGB, including but not limited to, threatening, abusive or intimidating conduct (physical, verbal or written) toward any show official or fellow exhibitor. Any person guilty of such conduct should be reported immediately to the show management. The management will suspend the offender for the duration of the show. Any person accused of unseemly behaviour may appeal his/her case to the council of the association which will render a decision. If found guilty such a person may be banned from further participation in Club events and a decision will be published in the official publication of the Club.
9. Exhibitors are requested not to converse with the judge unless initiated by the judge.
10. Late arrivals will not be admitted to the ring once the gate has closed or the class has commenced.
11. a. Objections must be made in writing with a £50 cash fee to the show committee no later than one hour after the alleged incident. The fee will be returned to the protester in the event the protest is sustained. If the protest is not sustained the fee shall be forfeited.  
b. Any protests shall be adjudicated by a protest committee of three show officials not involved with the incident/dispute.  
c. The show protest committee shall meet promptly and adjudicate the issue, make effective its decision upon the parties in interest and report its determination to all parties. A show protest committee may disqualify a competitor and or his/her entries for the duration of the show.

### **(2) PRESENTATION FOR SHOWING.**

The permissible methods for showing are:

- a. Freshly clipped
- b. Clipped with new coat established or
- c. In natural condition

So long as the horse is neat, healthy and well presented.

Manes and tails are natural. A bridle path may be clipped into the mane to enhance the outline of the horse. Tails are to be trimmed clear of the ground.

Alteration of the natural colour of the horse is not allowed, however, subtle use of makeup to enhance a natural colour is allowed.

General preparation and presentation is at the discretion of the owner, but the MHCGB wishes to promote the horse as being shown at its best visual and health advantage to portray the breed as one of beauty, intelligence and gentleness. NOTE: 'circus' or 'cute' type presentation is not relevant in any class other than the costume class.

### **(3) PRELIMINARY JUDGING HALTER CLASSES.**

The horses are asked to enter the ring in a clockwise direction. They are observed at walk. The steward will ask the horses to halt in a corner of the ring and each horse will be individually observed in trot. The judge calls the horses into a preliminary line up choosing his preferred horse first and so on.

Each horse is then posed for the judge to observe all sides. The horse will be walked in a straight in line from the judge and trotted back and will then re take his position in the initial line up.

When all the horses have been observed, they are asked to walk together again clockwise round the ring.

The final line up is then called in and Rosettes are awarded.

The horses are judged on:-

1. TYPE the horse must possess horse like qualities in a smaller size and proportion. Pony-like traits are not desirable in the modern miniature horse.
2. CONFORMATION. Consider the correctness of structure and conformation. Identify any faults and weaknesses.
3. QUALITY which includes the harmony and balance of body parts, the refinement and density of bone in the legs and the smoothness of muscling.
4. WAY OF GOING Perhaps meriting a higher consideration. Not just the quality of movement but the technical correctness of the stride, articulation of the joints, elevation and impulsion.
5. PRESENCE.

### **(4) CHAMPIONSHIPS.**

The first and second places from the applicable classes are called to the championship. Horses will be observed at walk and trot. The first and second from each class are lined adjoining one another. The horses are posed for the judge to reassess. Champion and Reserve champion are selected.

### **(5) SPECIALITY HALTER CLASS – COLOUR CLASSES.**

These classes are judged on 80% colour, 20% conformation.  
A broken coloured horse should have a balance of 50/50 colour.

### **(6) DRIVING CLASS.**

The horses enter the arena clockwise at a collected trot. They are observed on both reins in the arena at a WALK; a free, regular and forward moving 4 beat gait. The horse should walk energetically, but calmly with even and determined pace. COLLECTED TROT; The horse should maintain forward impulsion while showing submission to the bit. The trot is slower and more collected, but the horse should indicate willingness to be driven on the it while maintaining a steady cadence. AND WORKING TROT: this is a clear but not excessive increase in pace and length of stride. The horse goes forward freely, engaging the hind legs with good hock action, on a taut but light rein, the position balanced and unconstrained. Should show good energy, impulsion and cadence. The horses are required to STAND quietly and to REIN BACK.

This class is judged on:

1. Performance
2. manners.
3. way of going
4. conformation
5. appropriateness
6. Condition and fit of vehicle and harness
7. Neatness of attire.

A judge may dismiss from the ring any unsafe horse, vehicle or equipment.

### **(7) JUMPING CLASS.**

Classes will either be judged with 4 faults for a knockdown and 3 faults for a refusal or timed with 4 seconds added for a knockdown.

The showmanship class is an assessment of the handler's ability to show and turn out his/her horse.

The above pattern is used.

Points can be awarded for the following:-

Appearance of handler 10 points, suitability and cleanliness. Gloves, hat, boots and jackets are required

Appearance of horse 40 points, (conformation is not a factor.) Cleanliness, conditioning and tack.

Showing of horse 50 points

The judge is looking for accuracy of performance and correctness of training.

### **(11) PROGENY CLASSES**

#### **Produce of dam.**

To be judged with emphasis on the reproductive likeness, uniformity, quality of breed characteristics and confirmation. The minimum of two offspring, and a maximum of four per entry. Any sex of offspring may be shown. One number is issued per group of horses.

#### **Produce of sire.**

This class will be judged with emphasis on the reproductive likeness, uniformity, quality of breed characteristics and confirmation. The minimum of two progeny, and a maximum of four per entry. Any sex may be shown. One number is issued per group of horses.



### (8) OBSTACLE CLASS.

An obstacle course will be constructed and can be viewed by competitors. The fastest horse to complete the course shall be the winner. Time faults will be added for penalties.

### (9) LIBERTY.

*( Please note Training guide is available free of charge to fully paid up members )*

Liberty is demonstrating the natural beauty of the horse. Horse are to be judged on style, grace, animation, gaits, presence, music and suitability, ease of catching.

Judging begins when the halter is removed. Time of liberty is 1 ½ minutes, time to catch, 1 ½ minutes. (If not caught until after the 1 ½ minutes the horse is disqualified)

One exhibitor (wearing the number) and one handler allowed in the ring. Horses to be caught by the exhibitor.

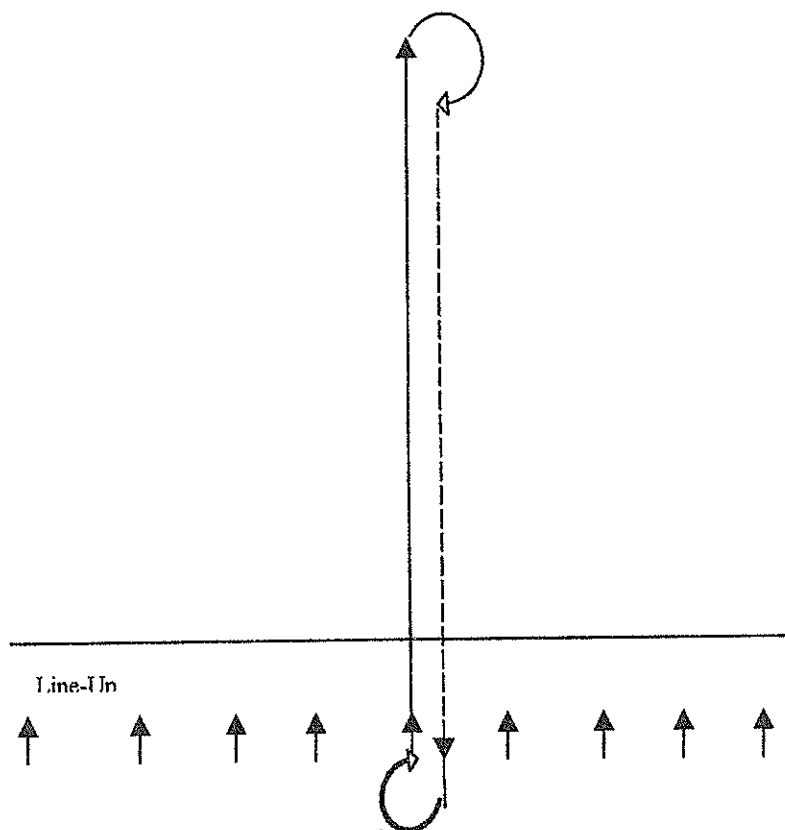
The following assessment can be made. Style and grace 30 points, animation and presence 30 points, gaits 30 points, music and suitability 10 points, catch 10 points.

Music is provided by the exhibitor. It is recommended that the tape has only the song to be used recorded on it. No restarts will be given for incorrect setting of tapes. Please label your tape.

### (10) SHOWMANSHIP.

#### Showmanship Pattern 1

Judge  
X  
Stop



——— Walk

----- Trot

☐ 360° Turn

D ☐ 180° Turn

## JULY 11<sup>TH</sup> DURHAM COUNTY SHOW

### JUDGE Mr P Dorman

Queuing traffic and one of the hottest days to date made Durham County one of the busiest shows for the Club.

Judged by Mrs Pat Dorman the classes attracted a huge crowd to the well placed ring. Janice Goudie had a very successful show with her team and was eventual champion with her two year old colt Looking Glass Baby Rocco

#### Yearlings

- 1<sup>st</sup> Jill Robinson NCF As If By Magic
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Janice Goudie NCF Little Sweetheart
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Janice Goudie Looking Glass Wild Scarlett
- 4<sup>th</sup> Janice Goudie Looking Glass Moviestar
- 5<sup>th</sup> Julie Hunt Toyhorse Count Dakota

#### 2 & 3 year olds

- 1<sup>st</sup> Janice Goudie Looking Glass Baby Rocco
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Jill Robinson Royal Oaks Mystical Silver Moon
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Julie Hunt Toyhorse Challenger

#### 4 years and over

- 1<sup>st</sup> Jill Robinson Cascades Magic Charm
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Julie Hunt Rosedene Tiny Tim

#### Broken Colour

- 1<sup>st</sup> Janice Goudie NCF Little Sweetheart
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Julie Hunt Rosedene Tiny Tim
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Janice Goudie Looking Glass Moviestar
- 4<sup>th</sup> Janice Goudie Looking Glass Baby Rocco

#### Solid Colour

- 1<sup>st</sup> Dorothy Hesketh Micatos Blackthorn
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Julie Hunt Toyhorse Challenger
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Julie Hunt Toyhorse Count Dakota

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#### YEARLINGS

- 1<sup>st</sup> NCF Little Sweetheart Janice Goudie
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Toyhorse Count Dakota Julie Hunt
- 3<sup>rd</sup> NCF Princess Tinkerbelt Scott Lavelle
- 4<sup>th</sup> NCF Peaches N Cream Patti Leighton

#### 2 & 3 year olds

- 1<sup>st</sup> Toyhorse Challenger Julie Hunt
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Stockadose Puck Paul Lavelle
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Looking Glass Baby Rocco Janice Goudie
- 4<sup>th</sup> Gillian Constantine Nick Gather

#### 4 years & over

- 1<sup>st</sup> Little Braveheart Janice Goudie
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Rosedene Tiny Tim Julie Hunt

#### Broken Colour

- 1<sup>st</sup> NCF Little Sweetheart Janice Goudie
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Looking glass Bay Rocco Janice Goudie
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Little Braveheart Janice Goudie
- 4<sup>th</sup> Rosedene Tiny Tim Julie Hunt

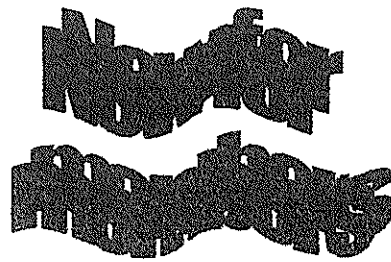
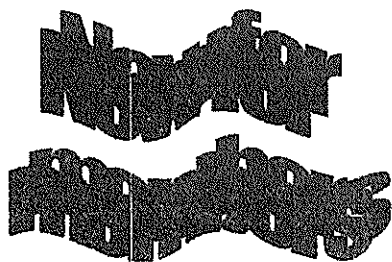
#### Solid colour

- 1<sup>st</sup> NCF Neat N Petite
- 2<sup>nd</sup> NCF Princess Tinkerbelt
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Allison Baker Cocco
- 4<sup>th</sup> Toyhorse Challenger Julie Hunt

**Champion NCF Little Sweetheart**

**Reserve champion Toyhorse Challenger**

Following requests from breeders we will be reporting the sire and dam of winning horses in future



## ***MHCGB Training Guides***

Our aim is to build up a series of training guides on all aspects of Miniature Horse ownership and activities. These guides will be available to fully paid up members only. There will not be a charge for them as we consider that your membership fee will cover the cost of their production.



All that we ask is that you enclose stamps to cover the cost of their return to you. Or enclose a stamped addressed envelope stating which ones you require. 50p for one guide, 75p for two.

**There are two available to members at present;**

Number 1 Training the Miniature Horse for Halter Obstacle Classes.

Number 2 Training your miniature for Liberty Classes.

There are currently four more being produced for us. Available in the near future.

Number 3 Looking after the In-foal Miniature Mare

Number 4 A miniature Foaling Guide

Number 5 Teaching your Miniature Horse 'Tricks'

Number 6 A Beginners guide to Clipping your Miniature Horse

*We aim to produce many, many more so we would appreciate ideas from yourselves as to the topics that you would like covered. There are virtually no Miniature Horse books available in the UK so we felt that these guides would be of use to you all.*

We are getting ideas from the returned Members Portfolios that we have received. (if we have not had yours please fill in and post as soon as possible it will save me contacting you!!!!)

*Example taken from Training guide Number 1*

### **The beginners guide to..... Training the Miniature for Halter Obstacle Classes.**

One of the newest classes to be added to the show schedule is the UK version of the American Halter obstacle class.

These classes are great fun, you do not need a top show horse to compete and are won on performance only. The more you train for this class the better you and your horse will become.

*So where to begin.....*

***Send for a guide today and start having fun at home.***

***Remember you must be a fully paid up member –***

***Please quote your membership number when you apply – thank you.***



## ***Stable Management Issues***

### ***Number 1 - Soaking Hay***

**Why soak hay and how long should hay be soaked for to avoid losing all the nutrients?**

***Very dusty, mouldy, musty smelling hay should not be fed to miniature horses at all, not even soaked. Owners sometimes believe that you need to feed poor quality hay to eliminate too much weight gain. If the hay has gone mouldy then it has not been well made, it may not be very nutritious but more importantly the mould may have produced toxins which any amount of soaking will not remove.***

However there are occasions when it is necessary to soak hay, such as when a horse is very sensitive to even low levels of dust due to allergies, for instance. If you hear your miniature coughing in his stable and he is not suffering from a cold or other related health problem then it is usually due to a reaction to dust in his hay.

The advice used to be to soak hay for 24 hours, as this would cause fungal spores to swell and rupture. The 24hrs soak was then replaced with the 2 hour soak. This is reckoned to be long enough to make the spores sufficiently waterlogged that they sink, or at least stick to the hay and cannot be inhaled. In two hours, fewer nutrients are leached out and the hay is safe.

Latest thinking now is that even this amount of soaking is not necessary. So long as the hay is all thoroughly dampened, it may not need actual soaking. If the slices of hay are shaken out and hosed carefully, or totally immersed in a tub of 'clean' water (which I personally prefer), this will dampen the spores so that they are not inhaled.

However long or not the hay was soaked, as soon as it is given to your Miniature, it will start to dry out, and more spores will develop. The benefits of soaking hay are lost when the hay is dry again. So it is no good soaking hay in the morning and leaving to dry all day for feeding it in the evening. Horses will eat wet hay, although some need time to get used to it.

My Miniatures eat wet hay quite happily but they do not like it when it has been soaking too long. I place their hay nets into large water tubs (obtainable from any DIY store) fill with fresh water. I then muck out leaving the hay soaking for no more than 5 to 10 minutes. I then drain the water away and hang the hay nets up to drip on my stable yard gate for about 15 minutes. By the time I have mucked out fetched 'my girls' in and rugged them up the hay is ready to feed. Wet enough to discourage any coughing but not so wet as to have to a wet stable floor and bed.

#### ***Finally a note of caution.***

***When hay has been soaking for any length of time the water becomes full of nutrients. This water becomes unsafe. It is so full of nutrients that it is a pollutant, as bad for waterways as the effluent from silage, and should not be poured down the drain. For the same reason do NOT be tempted to keep the water for use again the next day- always use fresh water. If you only use a soaking container just a little bit larger than your haynet(s) you will in fact use very little water.***

# Miniature "Bits and Bobs" for sale.

Please note that the MHCEB accepts no responsibility for the accuracy of these adverts and members purchase entirely at their own risk. Thank you

**Remember adverts are FREE of charge to fully paid up members  
(Next issue for adverts will be a Christmas -December one )**

**Imported American full neck and shoulder sweat.** Made by Triple LLL Corp USA . This sweat is made from thick closed cell hard wearing neoprene . Will reduce a thick set or over cresty neck and loaded shoulder to a refined one. Still wrapped, and immaculate. Once fitted does not move. Has own girth. Fits miniatures from 30"to 34". Cost equivalent of £65.50. FOR SALE @ £45.00 . Telephone Maxine Foulkes on 01543 414471 (evenings best)

**Two American imported lycra mesh mane tamers.** Medium and large sizes. To fit miniatures up to 30" and from 30" to 34". Do not need to be attached to rugs they can be worn independently. Will keep the most unruly mane flat. Made from black lycra mesh with thick elastic fittings. Suitable for stable or turnout. Immaculate condition. For sale @ £25.00 each one .Telephone Maxine Foulkes on 01543 414471 (evenings best)

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**Miniature Horse Cart.** Specially imported from USA. Exercise type with very easy entry access. £500.00 Telephone Claire King on 01945 714471

**American imported cable show bridle.** Size 'Adult' .To fit Miniature Horses from 30" to 34" (adjustable). Exceedingly elegant. Black cable with a mixture of filigree and solid gold ferules across the whole width of the noseband and the cable sides are also decorated in the middle to match. Noseband has additional Biothane lining. Gold mountings. In absolutely 'mint' condition and sold with a blue protective carrying bag. £85.00 (cost £125.00) 01543 414471

**American imported cable show bridle.** Size 'Adult' To fit Miniature Horses from 30" to 34" (adjustable). This bridle is a different type as it has a solid noseband that is mounted onto Biothane. The noseband is a very ornate silver bar that is very delicately engraved and edged in gold and has a raised gold pattern either end of the noseband. The gold and silver colour is carried through to the cable sides as these are mounted with a mixture of filigree and solid gold and silver ferules. Silver mountings. In absolutely 'mint' condition .. £85.00 (cost £125.00) 01543 414471

**American imported cable show bridle.** Size 'yearling' . To fit Miniature Horses up to 32" (adjustable). Different again. Very delicate ,to show off a refined and beautifully. Stunning colour scheme. Noseband and cable sides are decorated with a combination of silver and amethyst round beads, fluted beads and fabulous Austrian Crystals which catch the sunlight. Mountings are silver. This very pretty bridle has always been admired in the ring. In absolutely 'mint' condition and sold with a blue protective carrying bag. £85.00 (cost £125.00) 01543 414471



**Three American imported black Biothane show bridle back straps.** These are a much kinder alternative to show chains as they do not tighten up. Youngsters go more kindly in them not fighting their action. Lead reins clip onto back ring or thread through them. Three sizes. Up to 30". 30"-32". 32"-34". Immaculate. £6.50 each. 01543 414471

**Book. A photographic guide to buying and selling horses.** Brilliant book covering everything you need to know to ensure that you buy and sell successfully, and avoid the potential risks and pitfalls. Large hard-backed book 160 pages. Hundreds of photographs. Published by David and Charles written by Vanessa Britain. Not specifically about Miniature horses but all the behavioural and conformational faults are found in Miniatures. Also covers the legal side, vetting, law and liabilities etc. In fact every thing you need to know is covered. Immaculate. Unread (duplicate present) as I have two copies. Cost £19.99 for sale at £9.00 or would exchange for something to do with Miniatures. 01543 414471.

**"Light Lift" Revolutionary shavings Fork.** As featured in many horsey publications. Makes very light work of mucking out. It has a unique lightweight shaft designed with an S-bend and an adjustable second handle - greatly reduces the need to bend when mucking out. *An ideal solution if you have back trouble.* Second handle adjusts to address left handed people too. Has a scooped end with slots which is excellent for coping with miniature sized droppings. Absolutely unused as we won this one and we already own one. These are not cheap and are valued at £34.95. For sale at £22.00 or again would consider swapping for something Miniature related. Telephone Maxine on 01543 414471.

**For owners with show ponies too. I have a collection of immaculate Sabre show bridle work and Horsewear, Mark Todd and Fal rugs (Stable and Outdoor).** To fit ponies around 13.2hh. rug sizes 5'3" 5'6" and 5'9" Show bridles are pony size. Please telephone for details Maxine 01543 414471

**Assortment of very thick fleece Miniature hoods.** Some slightly used some brand new. Telephone for details etc. Would swap for lycra hoods (serviceable sound condition for use in the paddock) 01543 414471

## ***Miniature "Bits and Bobs" wanted.***

**Wanted . Interested in any items for miniature horses that members may have for sale.** Please telephone Bev on 01676 540201

**Wanted. American Quarter Horse style leather headcollar with silver decoration and fancy buckles.** Very good price paid for one in very good condition. Black leather preferred. 01543 414471

## ***Miniature "Horses" for sale and wanted.***

**Wanted. Miniature Brood Mares.** Reasonably priced please. Lovely caring knowledgeable home offered to right little girls who might be looking for a new home and a husband! Telephone Bev on 01676 540201

**A good home offered to a retired or older miniature horse on own premises in Wales .** Contact Liz Hambley. Email her at [ajhambley@aol.com](mailto:ajhambley@aol.com)

# ***Hello To Our New Members***

***If I have failed to mention someone please let me know***

X *Mr D and Mr J Hodge of The Blackator Stud Okehampton Devon.*  
[www.blackatorstuduk.co.uk](http://www.blackatorstuduk.co.uk)

All the Hurst Family in Padworth Common Berkshire

Jane Parker of the Conundrum Stud Leicestershire

Victoria Stevenson Finchfield Essex.

Gill Jones Newcastle Upon Tyne

Patricia Leighton Stockton on Tees

Julie Hodgson Cornhill Scotland

Lord and Lady Fulwood Castle Douglas Scotland

R Brown and T Martin Sutton St James Lincs

Dorothy Hesketh Preston Lancs

All the Johnson Family Wakefield West Yorks

Niki McLachlan Gate House of Fleet Scotland

Vivienne Hogg ,Horsley ,Northumberland (new on our judges panel)

Caroline Rose. Alresford ,Hants.

Nick Valentine. Ross on Wye, Herefordshire.

Bev and Kerry Robinson. Fillongley, Coventry.

Gwen Sheldon. Holstead, Essex.

Lyn Phillips. Honeybrook Stud. Kidderminster, Worcestershire.

Sophie Collete. Wassenaar. The Netherlands.  
[www.geocities.com/pucci-c/slc-miniaturehorses.html](http://www.geocities.com/pucci-c/slc-miniaturehorses.html)

Sharon O'Neil. Bishop Auckland, Co Durham.  
[www.pinto-arabians.co.uk](http://www.pinto-arabians.co.uk)

Julie Hunt. West Auckland, Co Durham

Mrs Sandra Tatnell. Virginia Water, Surrey.

Mrs Rosemary Leppard. Crowborough, East Sussex.

Jayne Morris. Nuneaton , Warwickshire.(Has just purchased her first Mini. We wish her well)

Allison Johnston. Northallerton North Yorks.

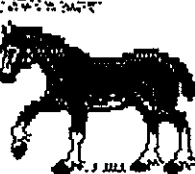
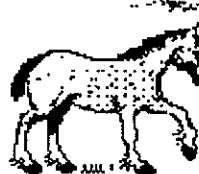
Simone Broadhurst. Walsall West Midlands  
 (stop press- has a 28" Dutch/English spot bred black brood mare for sale. 6Yrs.£2000.00 Registered spotted societies and BMHS )Telephone 07740 818 998.After 6.9.03

Cheryl Clarke. Witton Park, Bishop Auckland.

Lavelle Family. Dalton Piercy, Hartlepool.

Brooke Davison. Northumberland.(junior member)

Lizzie Wicks. Braintree Essex.





# Area Representatives



We are in the process of setting up area representatives. This will enable us to organize events in your area in the form of simple get togethers, instruction, stud visits, shows and purely fun events etc etc the list could be endless you just let us know what you would like to do with your miniatures.

- ❖ The representatives and their area members can organize events that are of interest to them, all taking place within their region too, eliminating too much travelling. These can be on a small informal scale or as grand as you like.
- ❖ Events should not just take the form of shows as we do appreciate that there are many of you that do not want to show all of the time but would like to take part in other events with your Miniatures.
- ❖ As a club we wish to address the needs of ALL our members.
- ❖ When you become a member you will be added to area mailing list closest to your address.

We currently have a several areas not covered by a representative and we now need members to come forward and offer to fill these gaps. If you are serious about your Miniatures and would like to do more with them the please consider covering an area for us.

**YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE PARTICULARLY KNOWLEDGEABLE JUST ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT MINIATURE HORSES.**

**PLEASE Telephone 01543 414471 or 01642 534 544 if interested or would like to know a little more before you commit yourself!**

## **Area 1 SCOTLAND**

Representative required

## **Area 2 NORTH of ENGLAND**

Northumberland, Cumbria, Durham, Yorks Lancashire.

**Jill Robinson 01642 534 544**

[grnewclose@aol.com](mailto:grnewclose@aol.com)

## **Area 3 MIDLANDS**

Cheshire, Derbys, Notts, Leics, Warwks, Shrops, Herefordshire, Worcestershire

**Maxine Foulkes 01543 414471**

[woodendbarn@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:woodendbarn@tiscali.co.uk)

## **Area 4 WALES**

Representative required

## **Area 5 EAST OF ENGLAND**

Lincs, Norfolk, Suffolk, Cambs, Beds, Nhants.

**Claire King 01945 774 439**

[cking@btconnect.com](mailto:cking@btconnect.com)



### **Area 6 SOUTH EAST ENGLAND**

Herts, Essex, Kent, East and West Sussex, Surrey  
Representative required

### **Area 7 SOUTH OF ENGLAND**

Gloucs, Wiltshire, Hamps, Dorset, Bucks, Berks  
Representative required

### **Area 8 WEST COUNTRY**

Devon, Cornwall and Somerset  
Representative required.

All that we ask is for the area representative to prepare a very short report for each newsletter (does not have to be typed hand written will do) outlining some of the interesting things that they have organized and perhaps advertising any forthcoming events or shows in their area. Indeed anything that they have planned or would like to plan, giving other members the opportunity to attend if they wish .

## **Area News**

### **Area 3 MIDLANDS Contact Maxine on 01543 414471**

Alrewas Agricultural Show (July 2004)(North of Lichfield Staffordshire off A38) have asked us if we could put on a short display/ parade in their main ring at their show next year. They would like us to display our horses as they feel that they would be an attraction. We thought about some driving, some jumping and obstacle and a parade of our horses. We can also hold Miniature Horse classes here too. If you would like to be part of this display and /or would like to exhibit at this show please let me know asap so that I can hold discussions with their committee and ask you what you would like to do.

Also in this area member Bev Robinson has informed us that we could have classes at The Fillongley Agricultural Show (Nr Coleshill close to M6 and M42 not far from NEC) again we could do with knowing how many of you would be willing to support this venue.

I also need to try to keep the NCPA Staffordshire Country Festival (June 2004) open for us next year (Aldridge, Walsall in between M6 junctions 7 and 10) We need your support let us know if you would consider attending next year.

Would any of you be interested in a video evening. I have several videos all from America I am afraid, on foaling and associated problems, training your horse for halter obstacle classes and some videos of top American studs 2003 foals and their stallions . We can arrange a time and date to suit those who want to attend. Venue - probably my house in Lichfield but could change depending on numbers etc. Interested -Phone me.

### **Area 2 North of England Contact Jill on 01642 534 544**

An informal "hands on" showing clinic was held at my home New Close Farm. It was very well attended. All aspects of showing were discussed and members shared their knowledge with each other. Most of them bought their own horses and tried all sorts of new things, which then gave them the confidence to try these again at home and in the ring. This very informative thoroughly enjoyable day ended with a BBQ. Members said "can we do this again" so we are going to think of another 'event' for area 2.

**Would any one else like to host one of these in their area? Lots of laughs were had by all but everyone went home knowing something that they didn't before!**

# Miniature Horse Club of Great Britain

[www.mhcgb.co.uk](http://www.mhcgb.co.uk)

## Benefits of membership

*You may say "do I need to be a member of another Miniature Horse Society?"*

*In answer to your question the answer would probably be "no you do not NEED to be a member but if you take the time to read the benefits that are offered to you I think you may think differently. The difference is we are not another society we are a club for Miniature enthusiasts. There lies the difference. We aim to organise events that will be of interest to you and because we are a club the emphasis is on fun and enjoyment.*

Your membership will run until the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2004. You will be issued with a laminated membership card with your own membership number. We would very much like you to complete our members profile (located on the reverse of the Membership application form).

Whatever you choose to do with your 'Mini' be rest assured that there will be something organised for you by the club.

### Benefits of membership.

- Opportunity to compete for beautiful members rosettes/ certificates at affiliated shows.
- Free advertising on the Club Website.
- Free advertising in the Club News Review to sell your miniature horses and any associated tack etc.
- Opportunity to place wanted ads free of charge for horses, books, tack etc etc.
- Receive the Club News Review issued four times a year.
- Area representation organising 'Miniature' social, instructional and competitive events at venues closer to home.
- Reduced fees for seminars.
- Reduced entry fees for Club shows.
- To be able to order copies of 'Training Guides' on a variety of 'Miniature' subjects. FREE of charge. (Just send a 50p stamped addressed envelope per guide - list available)
- Frequent updates of events sent to your Email address. (If you do not have an Email address at home then please consider giving us your work address or the address of a close friend who could pass messages onto you. Sending updates by Email is very fast, efficient and best of all can be done far more cheaply than using the postal system, which means you are updated more often.
- Access to the Club website which is updated very regularly and where you can download show schedules and entry forms etc.
- Eligible to compete for the MHGB High Point Championship with your Miniatures.
- If you own an American bred Miniature then we have lots that will interest you too.
- Finally the most important benefit we feel. Real, enthusiastic, very helpful people, readily available for you to contact should you need to know something or wish to seek advice.

*As a member of The Miniature Horse Club of Great Britain you will be valued as an individual not just as another membership number!*

Please note any new members joining at this stage of the year will not be required to renew their membership in January 2004. Memberships will be due in January 2005

### CLUB CONTACTS

Club President - Jill Robinson - Telephone 01642 534 544.  
Email [grnewclose@aol.com](mailto:grnewclose@aol.com)

Membership Secretary and Editor of Club News Review Maxine Foulkes - Telephone 01543 414471  
(8pm-9.30pm)  
Email [woodendbarn@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:woodendbarn@tiscali.co.uk).

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The club has very kindly been offered a ring  
At the International Miniature Horse & Pony society

## **Miniature Horse of the Year Show.**

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> September 03**  
**The College Equestrian Centre,**  
**Keysoe, Bedfordshire.**

Schedule enclosed with your newsletter.

Don't miss out on this opportunity of showing at a truly  
spectacular top class championship show.

Take a look at our title championship classes.

Discounted entry fees for horses entering both MHCGB and  
IMHPS classes.