

BRITISH DRIVING SOCIETY LINCOLNSHIRE

NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2008

We Wish you all a Happy Driving New Year

Sunday 11th November was our Area Open Day held at Elms Farm Equestrian and grateful thanks must go to David Capps, Carol Davenport, Trevor Fairburn, Sammy Fairburn, Duncan Seth Smith, Sarah Braybrook, Cathy Towle, Deano Smith and Kathleen for being the guinea pigs for the day. During the course of the day there was 40+ members attended and everyone appeared to enjoy themselves.

We are now well into the Winter Championship and the results can be viewed on our Website BDS Lincolnshire.

Boxing Day drive was postponed due to the traffic around Market Rasen as it was Race Day. We joined with Anna Mann and the Norfolk Area at East Walton on New Years Day and although cold the stop at the pub half way was very welcome.

Although we have over 100 members in Lincolnshire only 25 completed and returned the questionnaire the results were as follows:
Demonstrations were rated highly so we hope for a good turnout for Carline Dale-Leech on Sunday 16th March now to be held at Laughton Manor Equestrian.

Although the number for Driving Trials was high we feel that although we can organize indoor trials that outdoor is best left to those specialising e.g. Poacher Harness Club or Driving Trials Groups.

Exercise/Pleasure Showing which we feel should be encouraged as this is the grounding for Traditional showing. See our Show Schedule, even if you haven't shown before it will be a good place to start among friends.

BDS-Trec also came out highly although some said they didn't know what it was. Why not come along to our first BDS-Trec of the Season on 6th April, it is a fun day out, with a harness inspection, a drive, lunch, then a few obstacles even for the not so fit pony.

Drives: we hope to drive part of the new Lincolnshire Jubilee Drive later in the Season, we also have offers from members to host drives. We have a Long Distance weekend in October at Asgarby, so start getting your horse/pony fit so you can at least join us on the beginners section.

Congratulations!!! To David Faulkner, Jackie Owen, Sarah Asher and James Binns who passed the new W.A.T.O Test which is required by all Professional Carriage Drivers when transporting horses for hire or reward.
Do come and join us even without a turnout to see what is happening to Driving in Lincolnshire.

Events 2008

- 16th February** **Jolly Follies with Angela Flanagan at Laughton Manor Equestrian. Enquiries: Tel 01664 822911**
- 17th February** **BDS Lincolnshire Junior Training Day with Anna Sadler
For further details contact David on 01205 460351**
- 24th February** **Winter Championship at Laughton Manor Equestrian
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- 2nd March** **Jolly Follies with Angela Flanagan at Laughton Manor Equestrian**
- 9th March** **Winter Championships at Laughton Manor Equestrian**
- 16th March** **Caroline Dale-Leech Demonstration and Training. See attached**
- 24th March** **Poacher Harness Indoor Driving Trials at Riseholme, Nr Lincoln. Further information contact Angela or Clive on 01427 788065**
- 29th/30th March** **B.D.S. Road Driving Test (to be confirmed)**
- 6th April** **BDS-Trec at Walcott - Entry form attached**
- 13th April** **Strictly Come Driving, Arena U.K. Grantham**
- 19th April** **B.D.S. A.G.M.**
- 20th April** **Lincolnshire B.D.S. A.G.M. at Gordon Boswell's Romany Museum. See attached**
- 4th May** **Leicester Show**
- 10/11th May** **Newark Show**
- 11th May** **Poacher Harness Mini One Day Event at Swinderby
Contact Angela or Clive on 01427 788065**
- 25th May** **Lincolnshire and East Midlands Native Pony Show Driving classes. S.A.E. To Kathleen, 4 Maidens Road, Sutterton Nr.Boston PE20 2Ju for schedule**
- 31st May** **York's and Notts B.D.S.Show Danethorpe**

Early warning dates!!!

3rd August **Revesby Country Fair, Revesby Estate, Nr Boston**
S.a.e. for schedule to Pat Barthorpe, The Hollies, Redcap Lane, Boston, Lincs
Driving Classes: Country Turnout, Exercise Vehicle, Open Private Driving
Special Prize for Junior Whip and Concours D'Elegance.
Osborne Refrigeration Qualifiers - Single Country Turnout, Single Purebred
Welsh A/B Pairs and Tandems -open any height. And Red Rover Rosette

June **Messingham Show**

Lincolnshire Show

Crowle Show

July **Broughton Show**

17th August **B.D.S. Lincolnshire Area Show, Arena U.K. Grantham**
S.a.e. for schedule to Kathleen

August **Epworth Show Private and Pleasure Driving Class + Show**
Drive

23rd August **Drivers Dream Championship in Bedfordshire**

August/September **Chatsworth Country Fair**

27th/28th September **Lincolnshire Long Distance Drive**
Beginners, Bronze, Silver and Gold.
Asgarby House Farm, Asgarby, nr. Spilsby.

Any news, information or sales for the May Newsletter, Please forward to
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Any Lincolnshire Photographs, sales or reports to sethsmith.dh@pg.com

Caroline Dale Leech Demonstration & Training Day
Sunday 16th March 2008
Laughton Manor Equestrian
Folkingham

(On A15 Bourne-Sleaford Road, South of Folkingham)

- 10 a.m. Training for Road Safety Test and Preliminary Driving Test.
 Turnouts required to go through the Tests
- 12.30 p.m. Lunch
- 1.30 p.m. Showing - Which is the right class for your turnout
 A selection of turnouts also required for the above

Turnouts for morning session with lunch included for whip and groom £40
Turnouts for afternoon session with lunch included for whip and groom £40
Turnouts for afternoon session without lunch £30
Viewing with Buffet Lunch: Adults £15.00 Juniors £7.50
Viewing only Adults £7.50 Juniors £3.00

B.D.S.Lincolnshire A.G.M.
20th April 2008
To be held at Gordon Boswells Romany Museum

Spalding
PE12 6BL
Commencing 11 a.m. Coffee
11.30 a.m. A.G.M.
Agenda
Apologies
Minutes of Meeting held on 25th March 2007
Treasurers Report
2008 Programme
Any Other Business
Presentation of Winter Championship Shields 2007/2008

Followed by
Tour, talk and video of the Museum (approx. 2 hours)
Followed by a Traditionally prepared Romany Stew

All for the cost of £12.50
Do bring your partners and friends to make this a really successful day.
Cheques made to B.D.S.Lincolnshire for both the above to
David Faulkner, 4 Maidens Road, Sutterton, Nr.Boston, Lincs PE20 2JU
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