

Dear members and parents,

As usual it's been a very busy summer holidays and I hope you have all enjoyed the various activities – camps, rallies, visit to hunt kennels, picnic ride, mini tetrathlon, team showjumping, ODE as well as all of the area competitions and championships. I'm sure parents and ponies are ready for a rest – I know I am !

All of the camps were well attended and a great success. The weather was good except for the juniors who got a little wet ! Congratulations to Fran Dakin on winning the senior camp cup, to Rebecca Turnbull winning the intermediate camp cup and to Charlie Parker for the best wheelbarrow at junior camp.

This year we have had teams and individuals at 3 Championships – Quiz Championship, National Championships and Tetrathlon Championships and there is still the Endurance Championship in which Jamie Macaulay is riding, so good luck to him.

At the National Championships we had 3 teams competing.....

The junior games team of Harri Baker, Charlotte Fatherley, Alice Oakey, Lucy Pittendrigh, Lucy Walby and Catherine Woods were 8th and they kept up the Morpeth tradition by winning the tack & turnout competition.

The Junior horse & pony care team - Abigail Charleton, Jamie Macaulay and Jenny Sharp were 10th  
The Senior horse & pony care team - Charlotte Belbin, Ewan Macaulay and Kate Riley came 14th

Also, Rachel Ryder represented our branch in the Open Eventing Championships at the Nationals and Ewan Macaulay represented us in the Tetrathlon Championships. Details of all the Area & Championship results can be found on our website.

Coming up in the October holidays we have another rally, PC Meet, Halloween ride and the Presentation Evening, again details of all events will be on our website.

As a committee we try to organise a wide range of activities to suit all ages and abilities, if you have any suggestions or comments please let us know. There is a simple questionnaire on the our website that you may wish to complete. Also we will be adding a classified section to the website and would welcome any photos that you would like to share.

Finally, can I just thank everyone who has helped with any of our events, your help is very much appreciated. Thanks also to our members taking part in our activities. Without the help and support of everyone it wouldn't be possible to have such a great branch.

Many thanks and best wishes  
Michelle