

MORPETH HUNT BRANCH OF THE PONY CLUB NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2011

Dear Members

Hello, welcome to our first newsletter of 2011 and a belated Happy New Year to everyone. The last couple of months have been a challenge for everyone but the sun is out today so we can begin to think about putting that behind us and making plans for the season ahead. The weather has meant that most of what was planned for the winter season had to be cancelled or postponed but there is a great deal to look forward to over the coming months.

Welcome back to all members who have re-joined and also welcome to our new members. Anyone joining for the first time or indeed anyone who feels they would like more information about Pony Club please get in touch with any committee members who are always happy to help. We have organised some social events for parents to help to make everyone feel at home and to get to know each other without the distraction of kids and ponies!

The web-site is a great place to go to keep up to date with all Pony Club news with results and pictures. It's constantly updated and the address is <http://www.MorpethHuntPC.co.uk>

Please remember that we have a range of Morpeth Hunt Pony Club clothing for sale so look out at rallies for "Shirley's Shop".

We continue to do our best to raise money for the club and thanks to all of you who have bought raffle tickets at various events. Keep an eye out for these raffles as we now have some really fabulous prizes.

Thanks as ever to all of you who have helped to set up or clear away at events and just to remind those who haven't that we are always in need of your muscle power!

Here's a run down of what is to come and news of events to date.

RALLIES

Rally at Todburn 21/02/2011

By kind permission of Mr and Mrs Carmichael.

Lessons in small groups. Details will be on the web-site nearer the time.

Cost £7

To book your place fill in the slip at the end of this newsletter.

Dismounted Rally at Benridge 25/02/2011

Sessions in small groups. Details will be on the web-site nearer the time.

Cost £5

To book your place fill in the slip at the end of this newsletter.

Rally at Angerton 27/03/2011

By kind permission of Mrs Fenwick

Lessons in small groups. Details will be on the web-site nearer the time.

Cost £7

To book your place fill in the slip at the end of this newsletter.

Games Rally Dyke Neuk Field 21/04/2011

Open to all ages and sizes.....you don't have to be interested in joining the games teams just come along for some fun.

No charge

To book your place fill in the slip at the end of this newsletter.

All day Rally at Meldon Park 27/04/2011

By kind permission of Mr and Mrs Cookson and Mr Thompson

To book your place fill in the slip at the end of this newsletter. This rally

is free of charge. There will be a morning and afternoon session of mounted activities. Arrive at 10.30 to be ready to ride at 11.00.

Please see the web-site for information regarding dress code for rallies.

Don't forget your packed lunch!

15+ Rally at Angerton 29/04/2011

By kind permission of Mrs Fenwick.

Open to all members 15 years and over, 1 hour lessons in small groups.

Details will be on the web-site nearer the time.

Cost £15

To book your place fill in the slip at the end of this newsletter.

All day Rally at Burnt House Farm 2/06/2011

By kind permission of Mr and Mrs Rutherford

To book your place fill in the slip at the end of this newsletter. This rally is free of charge. There will be a morning and afternoon session of mounted activities. Arrive at 10.30 to be ready to ride at 11.00.

Please see the web-site for information regarding dress code for rallies. Don't forget your packed lunch!

Junior Evening Rally at East Shaftoe 15/06/2011

By kind permission of Mr and Mrs Robson

Open to all members 11 years and under, 1 hour lessons in small groups. Details will be on the web-site nearer the time.

Cost £7

For this rally members may wear their Pony Club sweatshirts if they wish so let's hope the rain stays away!

To book your place fill in the slip at the end of this newsletter.

Senior Evening Rally at East Shaftoe 16/06/2011

By kind permission of Mr and Mrs Robson.

Open to all members 12 years & over, 1 hour lessons in small groups. Details will be on the web-site nearer the time.

Cost £7

Members may wear their Pony Club sweatshirts if they wish for this rally.

To book your place fill in the form at the end of this newsletter.

TEAMS

Area Team Quiz 12/03/2011

If you would like to be considered for the team please go onto the web site and e-mail your details.

Area Horse and Pony Care at Pegasus Centre 19/04/2011

Please get in touch with Michelle Macaulay for more information if you wish to be considered for the team.

TEAM TRAINING

Please look on the web-site for details of team training which will soon be underway

CAMPS

The dates for camps this year are as follows:

Senior Camp at Todburn 25th -29th July

Intermediate Camp at Great Law 1st -3rd August

Junior Camp at Great Law 4th -6th August

15+ Camp at Angerton 25th – 28th July

Further details, including how to reserve a place, will be available soon on the website. These camps are extremely popular and places are filled on a first come first served basis.

PONY CLUB SHOW 2/05/2011

To be held again at Meldon Park by kind permission of Mr and Mrs Cookson and Mr Thompson. A great day out and a chance to get some early season competition practise in the company of all your friends. Keep an eye on the website for the schedule.

Please could you all consider helping with this event in some way? We need help with setting up, clearing away and the bit in the middle!

Please contact Sue Walby (01830 530238) who will be able to give you more information.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Parents' Social Evening 16th February

To be held at the Waterford Lodge, Morpeth 7.30pm as a general get together but particularly aimed at parents of new members so that they can meet people and get clued up as to what is in store for them!!

Please text Ian Gillespie 07831507507 if you would like to come.

Parents' Meal 10/03/2011

Postponed at Christmas due to bad weather. To be held at the Dyke Neuk.

Further details and menu options are on the website.

REPLY SLIPS

Rally at Todburn 21/02/2011

Name and Age of Rider(s):

Name and Height of Pony(ies):

Cost: £7

Closing Date: 9th February

Contact phone no:

E-mail:

Please return slip to: Jane Mancey, Benridge Riding Centre, Morpeth, NE61 3SB

Cheques to be made payable to Morpeth Hunt Pony Club. Please enclose SAE for time of ride or check the website nearer the time.

Dismounted Rally at Benridge 25/02/2011

Name and Age:

Contact phone no:

E-mail:

Please return slip to: Jane Mancey, Benridge Riding Centre, Morpeth, NE61 3SB

Cost: £5

Closing Date: 13th February

Cheques to be made payable to Morpeth Hunt Pony Club. Please enclose SAE for time or check the website nearer the time.

Rally at Angerton 27/03/2011

Name and Age of Rider(s):

Name and Height of Pony(ies):

Contact phone no:

E-mail:

Please return slip to: Jane Mancey, Benridge Riding Centre, Morpeth, NE61 3SB

Cost: £7

Closing Date: 13th March

Cheques to be made payable to Morpeth Hunt Pony Club. Please enclose SAE for time of ride or check the website nearer the time.

Games Rally at the Dyke Neuk 21/04/2011

Name and Age of Rider(s):

Name and Height of Pony(ies):

Contact phone no:

E-mail:

Please return slip to: Vicki Dungait, Lough House Farm, Stannington NE61 6EB

Closing Date: 7th April

Please enclose SAE for time of ride or check the website nearer the time.

Rally at Meldon Park 27/04/2011

Name and Age of Rider(s):

Name and Height of Pony(s):

Contact phone no:

E-mail:

Please return slip to: Jane Mancey, Benridge Riding Centre, Morpeth, NE61 3SB

Closing Date: 13th April

There is no charge for this rally

15+ Rally at Angerton 29/04/2011

Name and Age of Rider(s):

Name and Height of Pony(ies):

Contact phone no:

E-mail:

Please return slip to: Michelle Macaulay, Payne Cottage, Whittingham, NE66 4UN

Cost: £15

Closing Date: 15th April

Cheques to be made payable to Morpeth Hunt Pony Club. Please enclose SAE for time of ride or check the website nearer the time.

Rally at Burnt House Farm 2/06/2011

Name and Age of Rider(s):

Name and Height of Pony(s):

Contact phone no:

E-mail:

Please return slip to: Jane Mancey, Benridge Riding Centre, Morpeth, NE61 3SB

Closing Date: 19th May

There is no charge for this rally

Junior Evening Rally at East Shaftoe 15/06/2011

Name and Age of Rider(s):

Name and Height of Pony(ies):

Cost: £7

Closing Date: 1st June

Contact phone no:

E-mail:

Please return slip to: Jane Mancey, Benridge Riding Centre, Morpeth, NE61 3SB

Cheques to be made payable to Morpeth Hunt Pony Club. Please enclose SAE for time or check the website nearer the time.

Senior Evening Rally at East Shaftoe 16/06/2011

Name and Age of Rider(s):

Name and Height of Pony(ies):

Contact phone no:

E-mail:

Please return slip to: Jane Mancey, Benridge Riding Centre, Morpeth, NE61 3SB

Cost: £7

Closing Date: 2nd June

Cheques to be made payable to Morpeth Hunt Pony Club. Please enclose SAE for time or check the website nearer the time.