NORTHERN IRELAND

With winter firmly behind us, the region have started the task of planning the year ahead. Last weekend saw the region’s AGM held in the new venue of Four Winds; with over 60 in attendance it was sure to be a great evening. With the formal business of reports out of the way the prize giving took place with an impressive turn out of junior members thanks to junior coach Sinead Doran.

In attendance was also the Whip and Collar Club who are so impressed with the professionalism of the region they have invited us to run a show alongside one of their events. We also received, on the evening, an invite to an additional event at Cultra, a testament to the strong enthusiasm of the committee to provide a packed agenda for the year.

Mullaghhead Ploughing have invited the members to come along to its annual event at the end of the month to prepare the ground for spectators to see with the donkeys.

Two meetings have taken place with Antrim Agricultural Society who are interested in having donkey classes at the annual show which would be affiliated, hopefully this will be confirmed within the next few weeks.

The region are keen to include all its members with something for everyone even including an educational talk from the famous donkey behavioural expert towards the end of the year.

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