**NORTHERN IRELAND REPORT FOR THE AGM 2019**

With the annual showing season over for another year the region gets ready for the long winter ahead.

Poor ground conditions due to unseasonal heavy rain led to Mounthill Fair and Seaford walk ride and drive being cancelled.

Not to have spirits dampened, the Society was invited to Parkgate Donkey Derby and Vintage gathering in which they had great fun and a date firmly in the diary for next year.

The Whip and Collar Club invited the region to its annual AGM which some of the members availed, great to see this relationship progressing with partnered events for the future.

A pub quiz was organised at the Lakeside in Ballyduggan which was attended by many.

The annual carrot chase took place at Cultra, all members took the opportunity to dress up both themselves and donkeys in ‘spooktacular’ costumes for Halloween.

With 2019 drawing to a close the committee are busy arranging next year’s events, already they have great news regarding bringing back some old events which will be announced shortly.

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