

DBS Northern Region

Forthcoming Events 2022!



Take a look at what's coming up over the next month or two . . . we will be adding to this list from time to time and will keep you updated. It is super to be able to share these events with you and thank you so much to *all* those that are organising things on our behalf, we do value the time and energy that goes into this – thank you. Remember, you don't have to own a donkey to take part – come along and enjoy the friendship!



Members from Cheshire, Gtr Manchester, Derbyshire and Lancashire got together for a 'condition scoring' and planning meet at the end of January. Lots of great company and cake too!!

February

Sunday 13th February

'Love Enrichment' Day !



Brown Road Farm SK14 6EB Tel: Olwen 01457 76336

Come and share the donkey love and your tried and tested 'Enrichment Activities' – the ones that keep your donkeys from chomping your fences! If you can, bring examples (of enrichment activities not half eaten fencing!!)

Wednesday 23rd February

Craft Day: Felting with Sarah Pennell

At the home of Don and Liz Ross Rosehill, Leyland Lane, Leyland, Lancs PR26 8LB

Please ring [Sarah Pennell to book your place: 01889 591497](tel:01889591497)

and Don or Liz for directions: 01257 450182

Numbers will be limited, but never fear, Sarah has kindly agreed to bring felting to far flung regions this year, so do get in touch with her and host a craft day for your Region!

Bring a picnic lunch, but don't get crumbs on the felt!

March

Thursday 3rd March

Northern Region visit to Bennington Carriages

Long Bennington, Newark NG23 5GA Please contact Olwen 01457 76336 to sign up for this very special event. You can be assured of a fascinating day with demonstrations and

lots of advice from Sue Mart, whose driving pedigree is extensive. For more about Bennington Carriages and their wonderful set up, check out their web pages: [Home - Bennington Carriages](#).

There is no charge for this Event and we extend grateful thanks to Sue and all at Bennington for providing this amazing opportunity. We can't wait! *Please bring a packed lunch.*



Sue Mart on the Bennington Carriage Advice Line, see their website for details!

Details of events in March and April will be sent in due course. In the meantime . . .

fast forward to June

and, following on from the super clay donkey sculpting, Allison Roberts has been craftily organising some willow sculpting!

Sculpt a willow donkey - another one-day workshop on Monday 06 June near Preston

Each of us will be shown how to create a free-standing donkey using willow. Our expert, Joe Gregory, is a willow sculptor and basket maker based in Todmorden, West Yorkshire. She says, "In my sculptural pieces I love how the willow moves like muscles and sinew through the body".

Click on this link to take you to Joe's website - <https://www.creativewithnature.co.uk/>

Again, Pam Moon near Preston is generously offering us the use one of her barns for the workshop where Joe will guide us. There are six places available and at £79 per person bookings will sell really quickly.

Email allisonroberts254@outlook.com to book your place now!





You can do many things at a Show . . . !

ADVANCE NOTICE OF SHOWS IN 2022

*Thank you to Pam Moon for compiling
this list – start planning your entries!*

*Details of contacts, schedules and so on
will be found on the Shows' websites –
start checking out in late Feb/March.*

Sunday 8th May Northern Region Spring Show, Whitestake, Preston -

A fun filled day, good variety of classes for all. Details will be forwarded to all members.

Saturday 11 June Cumberland County

A show needing entries otherwise we will lose it, please support this lovely show

Tuesday 21st June Royal Cheshire

Midweek prestigious event – fabulous show that promises lots more going on this year.

Sunday 26th June Bury Agricultural Show

Bury is a real family show – ringside parking, good variety of classes

Wednesday 13th July Great Yorkshire

Midweek – the biggest and best Show in the Country, open to all

Sunday 24th July Aldborough & Boroughbridge

Hopefully having donkeys again this year

Saturday / Sunday 30th/31st July Heckington Show

Ringside parking, lovely village show, lots going on here

Saturday 6th August Emley Show

Lovely show, lots of trade stands to wander round before and after showing

Saturday 13th August Halifax Agricultural Show

Definitely the flattest showing you will ever run on, Halifax is a great show.

20th/21st August (proposed dates) Donkey Championships

Historically us up North do very well at the donkey championships – watch out for details in *Bray Talk* and *The Donkey*

Saturday 27th August Poynton Show

One of the favourites, always good entries and tradition says the Champion gets the cider in

2nd – 4th September Chatsworth Country Fair

Country Fair over 3 days, donkey driving class and donkeys welcome in other driving classes.

Saturday 17th September Eggleston

Entries needed or another we will lose. Village show, good variety of classes

Northern Region Autumn Show – venue and date TBC

Watch this space!!



WHO'S WHO? Who to contact in your Area . . .



Remember, you can extend hooves across the borders and Area-hop to enjoy any events/activities that appeal. You can attend events in any Region of the country too! You might like to do your bit and host an event too! From offering your sitting room for a coffee morning or your stable for a pre-loved tack sale, or your yard for a Training Day –

whatever you would like to do, get in touch with an Area Rep and they will help to make it happen.

Cheshire/Greater Manchester – Olwen Brown

Olwen: 01457 762336

Area Rep – Cumbria - note: Sarah Booth is caretaking Cumbria at the moment (number below).

Area Rep – Derbyshire – note: Liz Brown is caretaking Derbyshire at the moment (number below).

Area Rep – Lancashire – Pam Moon

Pam: 07842 535993 pam.moon@talktalk.net

Area Rep – Northumberland – Geraldine Burton

Geraldine: 01434 681335 gadburton@yahoo.co.uk

Area Rep – North & East Yorkshire/Cleveland – Pat Mather

Pat: 07850 584785 pat_mather@msn.com

Area Rep – South Yorkshire - Jane Bramwell

Jane: 01433 620110 l.jane.bramwell@gmail.com

Area Reps – West Yorkshire – John & Terri Morris

John & Terri: 01274 835520 throstlenest@hotmail.co.uk

Northern Region Chair and Regional Delegate: Liz Brown, 07517382472

Northern Region Secretary & Hon. PR Officer UK: Sarah Booth, 07970375562 (phone signal is awful, so leave a message or text me and I will get back to you!)

Northern Region Treasurer: Sarah Pennell, 01889 591497

DBS Awards Regional Link & Training: Olwen Brown 01457 762336

ADA: Terri and John Morris 01274 835520

Colley Mill Donkeys Junior Club (DBS Affiliated Club): Sarah Booth, as above.

General enquiries, items to be included in *Asspire* and submissions for the 'Fab Farriers Award': northerndonks@gmail.com

See you all soon!
