

The Calendar!

April – September 2025



All the events you will want to be at – IN VARIOUS CORNERS OF OUR REGIONS – click & link to further information!



APRIL

Saturday 26th April **Showing Clinic at Brownroad Farm. From 11.00 am** Please bring a picnic lunch. Lots of useful tips and support for newbies and old-hands alike! Find out how to turn your donkey out to a high standard, various dos and don'ts and how to have a cracking good time! Please ring Olwen for further information and to confirm attendance: 01457 762336. This is a popular annual event.

MAY

SUNDAY 4th MAY THE NORTHERN REGION'S SPRING SHOW

- Whitestake, Preston, PR4 4LD.

Remember last year? What an event! A fun-filled day with classes for all, with or without donkeys!

ENTRIES CLOSE: 27th April, late entries by arrangement only. All entries to Pam Moon pam.moon@talktalk.net – see Schedule attached for details.

WEDNESDAY 8th MAY WORLD DONKEY DAY – how will you be marking this? Don't forget to send us your pictures! northerndonks@gmail.com

Sunday 25th May **ABRAM HALL SHOW**
Abram Hall Riding Centre WN2 5XA

HANDY DONKEY & FUN DAY at

An exciting handy donkey course and lots of fun classes with the emphasis on fun and trying out something that you and your donkeys might not have experienced before! **A Fun Show** – a show with a difference! SCHEDULE ATTACHED ENTRIES ON THE DAY

Donkeys at the Museum **Friday 30th May** The Green Howards Museum,
Richmond, N. Yorkshire Come and meet Marie Bates' beautiful Blackberry Donkeys at
the Museum. The Square is a fitting location for this event, held in partnership with the DBS
(Northern Region). [The Green Howards Museum](#) from 10.00 am.

JUNE

Cumberland County **Saturday 7th June** [Home | Cumberland Show](#)

A show needing entries otherwise we will lose it, please support this lovely show. Definitely worth a visit.

Three Counties Show **Saturday 14th June** **SPECIAL DISPLAY OF THE RICHMOND
POPPIES IN THE 'COTSWOLD VILLAGE' at this prestigious Show.** Thank you to Anna Turner
and the Western Region of the DBS for supporting this event.

Royal Highland **Saturday 21st June (closing date 18th April)** [Home | Royal
Highland Show | Royal Highland Show](#)

You are promised an 'epic weekend' showcasing the best of food, farming and rural life.

Art Workshop **Sunday 22nd June - with artist, Joss Goodchild** **Just one place
remaining!** To be held at Pam's PR4 4LD – super opportunity to paint your donkeys or a donkey of
your choice (from a photograph) – Contact Allison Roberts allisonroberts254@outlook.com 01697
748311 for further details.

Honley Show **Saturday 28th June** <https://honleyshow.co.uk/>

Super show – needs more entries! Stunning views!

Bury Agricultural Show **Sunday 29th June** [Bury Agricultural Show](#)

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

JULY

Tuesday 1st July **Richmond Poppies at The REME Museum in Lyneham, Wiltshire.** The Poppies will feature at the Museum **throughout July and August**, with two 'donkeys at the museum' days planned. Further details to follow. [Welcome | REME Museum](#)

Great Yorkshire **Wednesday 9th July** [Great Yorkshire Show - Official Website](#)

Midweek – the biggest and best Show in the Country, open to all! Organisers have listened to our concerns on the timetable and have promised us a lunchtime slot.

Penrith Show, Cumbria **Saturday 19th July** <https://www.penrithshow.co.uk/>

Another **new one** – let's show them our support – fantastic show with a great atmosphere.

Border Union **Saturday 26th July** [Border Union Show - Border Union Agricultural Society](#)

The Border Union Show is the highlight of the event and agricultural calendar for the Scottish Borders and Northumberland!

Heckington Show **Saturday 26th July** [Heckington Show - The Largest Village Show in England](#)

Ringside parking, lovely village show, trophies galore, lots going on here!

Aldborough & Boroughbridge Sunday 27th July [Aldborough & Boroughbridge Agricultural Show \(boroughbridgeshow.co.uk\)](#)

Lovely show, again needing more entries.

Romiley Young Farmers Show Sunday 27th July [Romiley Young Farmers | Country Fair and Show](#)

They have brought the date forward to mid Summer – a real crowd pleaser show.

AUGUST

Perth **Saturday 2nd August** [Perth Agricultural Show | Perth Scotland](#) A two day agricultural event, showcasing the best in class of livestock, horses and ponies and donkeys, food and drink, and local arts and crafts, from the Perthshire area and beyond!

Emley Show**Saturday 2nd August** [Home - Emley Show](#)

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

Turriff Show**Sunday 3rd August** [Turriff Show - The Turriff Show](#)

Apparently, the biggest two-day agricultural show in Scotland! Absolutely heaps going on!

Halifax Agricultural Show**Saturday 9th August** [Halifax Show | Brought to you by Halifax Agricultural Society](#)

Definitely the flattest showring you will ever run on! Halifax is a great show.

Ripley Show**Sunday 10th August** [Ripley Show – Sunday 11th August 2024](#)

Had donkeys for the first time last year and they want us back – lovely show!

DBS Donkey Championships**Saturday 16th August** [The Donkey Breed Society](#)

Historically us up North do very well at the donkey championships – watch out for details in *Bray Talk* and *The Donkey*. As well as a mixture of classes for everyone, this is a truly social event where we see members from all corners of the country. Let's fly our Northern Flag again and bring lots of ribbons home.

Poynton Show**Saturday 23rd August** [Horticultural Show : Cheshire : North West : Poynton Show – One of the Biggest Horticultural Shows in the North WestThe Poynton Show](#)

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

SEPTEMBER

Keighley Show**Saturday 6th September** [KEIGHLEY & DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL SHOW – Livestock, horses and other animals, large and small, are interspersed with horticulture, handicrafts, children's amusements, trade stands and many special attractions. \(keighleyshow.co.uk\)](#)

Again, donkey classes re-introduced last year – a lovely show, lots going on to see.

Bowes Show
(bowesshow.org.uk)

Sunday 7th September [Bowes Agricultural Show](#)

A proper village show – plenty to see.

Stanhope Show
[| Weardale's Premier Show](#)

Saturday 13th/Sunday 14th September [Stanhope Show](#)

A lovely show needing support.

Eggleston
[Show | Mickleton](#)

Saturday 13th September [Country Show | Eggleston](#)

Entries needed or another we will lose. Lovely little village show.

Northern Region Autumn Show

Please source potential venues – we are more than happy to move this one to different parts of our region – Championship status.

A Big Thank You to Pam Moon for providing the Show dates.

Just for Juniors

As with all our events, have a chat with your Area Representative to see what's going on for juniors in your area. Make sure that you are happy that there is a safe environment, with full supervision. Stay with your child(ren). Check that risk assessments are in place and make sure that you sign consent forms for participation and use of photographs/videos. **For further information please contact S. Booth, NR Secretary northerndonks@gmail.com.**

AREA REPRESENTATIVES – USEFUL NUMBERS

NORTHERN REGION Introduce yourself to your Area Rep and say what you would like to see happening in your Area. Area Reps are always keen to hear your ideas and if you can volunteer some help at any time, that too would be most welcome, although not obligatory!

Area Rep – Lancashire – Pam Moon

Pam: 07842 535993 pam.moon@talktalk.net

Area Rep – North & East Yorkshire/Cleveland

Caretaker rep Allison Roberts (details as above)

Area Rep – Cheshire/Greater Manchester – Olwen Brown

Olwen: 01457 762336

Area Reps – West Yorkshire – John & Terri Morris

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

Area Rep – Derbyshire & South Yorkshire – Janet Thornhill

Janet: 07976 556649 janet66thornhill@gmail.com

Area Rep – Cumbria - Julie Connolly

Julie: 07501 331014 julieconnolly1@aol.com

Area Rep – Northumberland – Geraldine Burton

Geraldine: 07833 602311 gadburton@yahoo.co.uk

SCOTLAND Introduce yourself to your Area Rep and say what you would like to see happening in your Area. Area Reps are always keen to hear your ideas and if you can volunteer some help at any time, that too would be most welcome, although not obligatory!

Lothian, Borders & East Dumfriesshire (to Dumfries):

Alison Robertson 07860 342404 krobertson@btclick.com

Ayrshire, West Dumfriesshire & Galloway:

Kendall Young 07736 960081 kendallyoung99@ymail.com

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Tayside, Stirling & Fife:

Lizanne Kempself 07803 583055 scottishdonkeys@gmail.com

Highland/Grampian: Vacant

Strathclyde, Argyll & Bute, Greater Glasgow and Forth Valley:

Jacqui Methven 07966 255508 minijax@icloud.com

If there's something going on that we haven't mentioned above and you would like me to let everyone know, just email me at northerndonks@gmail.com with all the details and I will send it out to members!

Enjoy! SB.