

Newsletter of the Dial Wood Carriage Driving Group

AUTUMN - 2022

The recent passing of the Queen has made many of us reflect on what an inspiration our monarch was not least as an ambassador for that most noble beast, 'The Horse'. Dial Wood extends its' sincere condolences to the Royal Family for their loss.





And from one long reign to another long rein....

SHOW TIME!

Tonto and Ellie stole the show at Mirfield this year with their wonderful Teddy Bears Picnic themed long reining display. All the rehearsals paid off as both ponies performed splendidly on the day.



Ellie transporting teddies and their picnic through a 'woodland' obstacle course.

MANY HANDS.....

The Team at Cummins once again put in some good old fashioned hard work with some much needed painting work at the yard.

More help came from our wonderful Bettalives Volunteers who have been visiting on a Wednesday and helping with jobs around the yard.

Thanks also to Peter for providing some maintenance on Tyson's new carriage and Willmott Dixon and Wingate plumbers for fitting a much needed tap closer to our yard.





NOT A ONE TRICK PONY!

New volunteer Lucy has been putting Tyson through his paces as he demonstrates how versatile he is. Tyson has been working in riding therapy, pony therapy and is a big hit with our Tea with a Pony guests. We have recently purchased a carriage for him.....so watch this space!



SAMMI'S STORY

One of the aims of the Dial Wood Team is to empower people and participant Sammi has recently been enjoying some supported volunteering which she is clearly loving.

As well as her pony therapy session on a Thursday Sammi now attends the yard for one hour on a Tuesday helping with all the jobs she is a real hard worker and particularly good at filling hay nets and sweeping out stables...



Sammi takes a break, just enough time to give Tonto a huq!

CO-OP SUCCESS

Many thanks to everyone who became a Co op member last year in order to help raise funds for Dial Wood.

We were chosen as one of the benefitting charities and members efforts have raised funds in excess of £2,000 which is truly amazing.

AND THERE'S MORE....

Further donations have come through this quarter from Audrey's son Lee who tackled the 28 miles of tough terrain, that are the Three Peaks, in under 11 hours

raising funds for Dial Wood through sponsorship.

A surprise donation also arrived from the family of the late Clair Skelton of Flockton Clair had been keen for a donation to be sent to Dial Wood for all the excellent work we do.

ADOPT A PONY

Well it will be here before your know it...Christmas that is and if you are looking for that perfect gift Duncan says why not adopt one of Dial Wood's hardworking ponies.



Adoption is just £19.99 per year and you will receive a lovely framed picture of your chosen pony along with regular updates. Go to our website for more details.

www.dialwoodrda.co.uk

AND FINALLY.....

Great News! Dial Wood had been nominated for the 'Best Diversity Innovation Award' at the 'Diverse Kirklees award ceremony in September and we won it! Thanks to everyone for making this possible.

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