

TURN OUT

'Newsletter' of the Dial Wood Carriage Driving Group!

We are really missing all our Dial Wood friends, volunteers and clients. Restrictions have meant only two volunteers at the yard at any one time, but as they say the 'Show must go on' so we thought we would share with you a few of the things our ponies have been up to in this our Summer Newsletter.



Or should that be 'Moosletter' No need to social distance when you've got four legs!

THE 2.6 CHALLENGE

As you may be aware the London Marathon, a great fund raiser for numerous charitable organisations, was not able to go ahead this year. Many charities were inspired to improvise instead. Dial Wood decided to take up the reins of this idea.

All three of our ponies completed a 2.6 mile walk and raised much needed funds for the group during these challenging times. Thank you to everyone who made a donation.



Little and Big Splash embark on the challenge ably assisted by Vicky and Ailsa

HORSES FOR COURSES

He's a versatile chap is our Duncan, and has been demonstrating his many talents over the last couple of months. Not only did he take part in the 2.6 mile challenge, but he has been ridden, long reined round obstacle and spook busting courses, and even helped carry the hay down from the barn.



Always a good idea to take a packed lunch with you says Duncan.

SINGING IN THE REIN!!

No it's not a rehearsal for a great new Equine Musical, but Holly and friends spending a lovely Sunday spook busting. Getting the ponies used to unusual and potentially scary objects is vital for the important job our boys do.



IT'S A DRAW!

The Dial Wood Annual Grand Draw to be precise and this year we are having to be a bit more imaginative in the way we sell tickets. There are some fantastic prizes to be

won, including a weekend break in a holiday cottage, wine rack full of wine, body shop hamper and many more. Tickets are £1.00 each and the draw will take place on the 8th of July 2020. No need to issue tickets in person we will just let you know your numbers. Please do support us.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

There are many other ways you can help us during this challenging time. The Adopt a Pony Scheme is an ideal way. For just £19.99 per year you will receive a framed photograph of your chosen pony, keyring and regular updates. Contact Ailsa for more details.

We are also accepting donations via the Paypal Giving Fund, contact Audrey or Julie for more information.

Or if you have a birthday or anniversary coming up, and don't want to risk the shops we have some wonderful craft available. Normally we would be selling at local shows and events, but much of our craft can be posted out. Treat someone to an original, individual and beautiful gift, prices start from just £3.00. Contact Chris for more details.



Felt art Native Ponies just a small example of some of the craft available.

LOCKDOWN LIMERICKS

We have been keeping all our clients and those volunteers who cannot attend amused and hopefully entertained by our regular e-

mails. These have included quizzes, word searches and even a challenge to compose a limerick about the Dial Wood 'Boys'.

There once was a horse named Duncan
Who had an important function
Though sometimes he may
Dislike to obey
Your sadness when round him is shrunken.
'Eleanor & Caroline'.

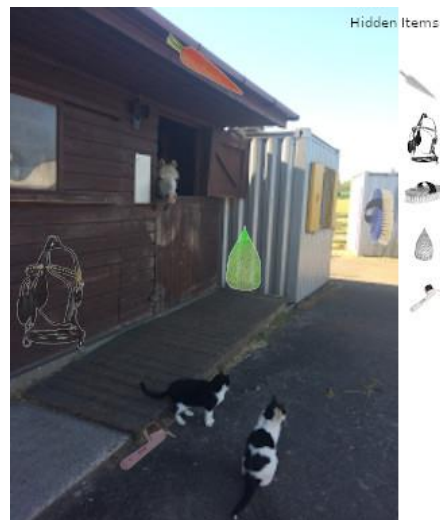
Our Shetland pony Ellie
Has a rather large belly
Her stablemate Tonto
Gets to his feed pronto
Especially when its jelly!
'Audrey & Andrew'

There once were two ponies called Splash
You could tell them apart in a flash
Both were quite smart
With a generous heart
Only one had a splendid moustache.

Chris

HIDE AND SEEK

Volunteer Vicky, has created this fun hide and seek puzzle for all to enjoy.



Help Tinker & Belle find the objects cheeky Little Splash has hidden

NEXT NEWSLETTER:-

Scheduled for September. Please send articles to Chris.

