

Newsletter of the Dial Wood Carriage Driving Group

SUMMER/AUTUMN 2018.

That chill in the air and the long afternoon shadows tells us that Autumn is on its' way, but so much to look forward to in this the most colourful of seasons....

IT WAS TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY.....

Can you believe it? Dial Wood celebrates its' twentieth birthday this month. So much has been achieved over the last two We have welcomed many decades. wonderful volunteers and clients over the vears as well as said a few sad goodbyes. Our Anniversary on Sunday 16th September will celebrate all that we with represent, carriage driving demonstrations, meet the ponies and a trip down memory lane, not forgetting a 'sumptuous' afternoon tea to finish it all off. Here's to the next twenty



Andrew chats with customers at Emley Show.

IN THE RIBBONS!

It was good to see Client Adam and Tonto in the ring at Wakefield RDA show gaining a very commendable fourth place in one of the In Hand classes...think they both enjoyed it don't you?



'SHOW TIME!'

Well it has certainly been a busy show season. Since our last newsletter Dial Wood has attended Horbury, Woolley, Emley and most recently Wakefield RDA. Thanks to all volunteers who helped to raise funds at our various stalls with Tombolas, Body Shop, Craft and lots of fun and games.

Proud Adam and Tonto

IT'S HERE!

The Dial Wood Class Room has arrived and is sited on the yard ready to provide a warm and comfortable learning environment for our clients and their carers. Cummins have been invaluable once again painting the class room in Dial Wood's colours. We are hoping to have facilities to make a nice cuppa too which will be particularly welcome as the days get cooler.



'In a tight spot' Peter, Leah and Laura from Cummins putting the finishing touches to our new classroom.

NEW VENTURE TAKES OFF!

Dial Wood's plan to provide riding therapy opportunities on our yard as well as carriage driving was realised last month when we were joined by our first client. Eight year old Cora is thoroughly enjoying riding Big Splash. The therapy helps greatly with balance, co-ordination and confidence. Cora is getting to know Big Splash and improving week by week. Currently the riding therapy session follows the Thursday carriage driving session. If anyone is able to offer an hour or so to help, at these highly rewarding sessions please contact Audrey or Chris.

COMMITTEE CALLING....

If anyone can spare a few hours a month, why not become a Committee Member.

We meet every second Wednesday in the month 7.00 p.m. until 9.30 p.m. at Dial Wood Lodge to discuss the running and administration of the Group. No experience necessary as full support given. Contact Audrey, Chris or Julie for more details or pop along to our next meeting where you will receive a warm welcome and biscuits too...

TRAINING

Client Carol is preparing to take her Grade Two Carriage Driving test very shortly and Jordan will be taking his Grade One

Volunteer Holly is also preparing to take her RDA Coach Test on the 23rd September. We wish them all the very Best of Luck.

EVENTS LIST

SUNDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER – DIAL WOOD TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

SUNDAY 21ST OCTOBER – 6.30 ONWARDS QUIZ NIGHT HORBURY WORKING MENS CLUB TICKETS ON SALE SOON.

Advent fair – To be Confirmed

DATE OF NEXT NEWSLETTER Our next Newsletter is Scheduled for December Articles should be forwarded to Chris by the end of November.