

# HIGHLAND PONY SOCIETY AWARDS

## ENGLAND & WALES 2014

There are 2 new trophies being presented this year. The Rimond Cup (highest placed Junior trophy) was returned last year with only space for 1 more name and looked very sorry for itself so Richard, my husband, and myself decided as this would be my last year running this scheme that we would like to purchase a replacement trophy. It is called the Grover Legacy Award.

I also felt that sometimes a pony who attempted many different disciplines wasn't always a highly placed pony so therefore a trophy was purchased to help recognise a versatile pony. This award has been aptly named the Versatility Quaich.

I would like to remind participants that these Performance Awards are for Ridden/Driven activities and that In-hand classes cannot be included, sadly some people included them on their cards this year and I cannot give points for these.

This year 16 cards were returned and for the first time in 20 years I purchased a card for my 24 year old Highland Ross Beag of Langsett. Even though Ross and I only attended 2 events the only other pony that competed for the Driving Trophy attained less points than us so to my ultimate surprise Ross and I have won the Blue Gowt Sapphire Trophy! Lee Austin with Harpsden Buffy has already laid down the gauntlet for this trophy for 2015! Lincolnshire BDS has some really interesting drives and TreCs this year so we shall see!

There are placed rosettes to 10<sup>th</sup> so everyone else who returns their card receives a special rosette. These ponies and riders/drivers are:

**Ross Beag of Langsett**

**Macelthy Sir Bertram**

**Monreith Madonna**

(sadly this pony died this year and we send our best wishes to Lianne)

**Gemma of Carlung**

**Nashend Lady Lyn**

**Harpsden Buffy**

**Karen Grover**

**Alan Butler**

**Lianne Parkin**

**Claire Lowry**

**Victoria Walker-Parlane**

**Lee Austin**

**10<sup>th</sup> BEN BUIDHE OF CROILA**

**JO BREW**

**616 POINTS**

They are based on the Isle of Man and have competed in many Dressage classes gaining between 60-67%. They also competed at Equifest at the East of England showground (must be a logistical nightmare) and qualifying for the Petplan Festival.

**9<sup>th</sup> LYNCRESTS RHONDA LASS**

**MICHELLE COCKBURN**

**750 POINTS**

They attained many firsts and seconds in Ridden classes but have also gained enough points to be the highest placed Veteran pony so have won the Laird of Woodhaven Trophy.

**8<sup>TH</sup> TOWER BRAVEHEART MARDY FAWCETT 755 POINTS**

This is their first year in the competition and have been to Camp, competed in Cross Country and some 10 mile rides along with a few other challenges.

**7<sup>TH</sup> AMOS OF LITIGAN REBECCA JOHNS 780 POINTS**

They have competed in Novice Dressage classes, Qualified for Hickstead in 2015 as well as some 33k plus Endurance Rides!

**6<sup>TH</sup> AILAH OF KELLAND SHEILA O'CONNOR 977 POINTS**

This is their first year of competition and have competed in Ridden, Working Hunter, Show Jumping and Dressage classes. They are the highest placed combination in their first year so they have won the £100 Bursary from the Highland Pony Society as well as the highest placed pony not to have been placed in the top 10 before so they have also won the Whitehope Morag Salver.

**5<sup>TH</sup> LOCHLANDS TREBLE FLUTE ANNE OWEN-WALKER 1,005 POINTS**

They have achieved their points from mostly Ridden and Dressage classes attaining between 60-76% for their Dressage.

**4<sup>TH</sup> PITFIELD SUMMER BALL SALLY DOXEY 1,066 POINTS**

All of their points have been gained from Dressage being placed in the top 7 of every class entered!

**3<sup>RD</sup> LANGLEY GYPSY LEGEND ALISON CHAMPION 1,457 POINTS**

This pony gained points from 20k rides, Rallies, Dressage, Gymkhana, RDA and Hunting. 13 year old Amy Newman also rode this pony and is placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Junior Awards. Alison also gained the most points for Hunting so has won the Quest of Mendick Hunt Salver. She is also the highest placed Mare so has won the Brownbread Rebecca Trophy.

**2<sup>ND</sup> DALESMAN OF COMBEBANK LINDA GRAHAM 1,818 POINTS**

Most of their points were from Dressage as well as One Day Events, Trec and Pleasure Rides. 16 year old Saskia Hill also rode this pony and was placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Junior Awards.

**1<sup>ST</sup> TOWER HIGHLAND PIPER MARDY FAWCETT 4,409 POINTS**

16 year old William Lows also rode this pony and gained the highest points for the Junior Award so has won the Grover Legacy award as well as Karen and Richard Grover have provided a £50.00 bursary for lessons of their choice.

This pony achieved 1,386 points in Dressage competitions so they have won the Whitehope Morag Rosebowl. They also competed in Show Jumping, Pleasure Rides, Ridden classes, Indoor Trec, Working Hunter classes and One Day Events so have gained the most points for versatility so have won the Versatility Quaich. As the highest placed pony they receive a Bronze Medal from the Highland Pony Society, which Mardy keeps, as well as the Glenda Spooner Trophy and as the highest placed Gelding they receive the Benny Trophy.

I would like to take this opportunity to give Anne Owen-Walker my best wishes in her quest to push these Performance Awards to the next level and look forward to being able to attend as a competitor at the 2015 Luncheon.