



NEWSLETTER

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AGM - Postponed from Newark Racecourse on July 10th to Shawell, October 9th

Unfortunately the AGM on 10th July had to be postponed and will now take place on Sunday the 9th October, starting at 10.30 with coffee for a 11am start followed by a free lunch, at Shawell

Village Hall, Lutterworth Road, Shawell, Leics. Approximately 3 miles from the A14, M1/M6. For more information visit www.caspianhorsesociety.org.uk

Showing

'In the Spotlight Corporation' show at Doncaster in April, Penny Walster and 20 year old stallion, 1st not exceeding 148 cms & 2nd Pure/Part-Bred, not including Mountain & Moorland.

Penny and Felfel also gained 1st & Champion Rare Breeds & 4th in a strong Veteran Class at Derby County Show in July.

Pandora Best and her stallion Xerxes Khamaal attended a show at Brixham, he took 1st in Competition horse/pony, 2nd in Riding horse/pony and 3rd in Foreign breeds. In doing this he qualified for South West Ponies Association, Devon and Cornwall Horse and Ponies and



Equifest (at Peterborough) championships. If you are planning to show your pure or part-bred Caspians, Remember the CHS has a '**Special Rosettes Scheme**' & '**Points for Performance**' available to paid up members. Do remember to tell us.

Shows

CHS stand at Royal London Show early September

The new CHS show tent made its debut at the Royal London Show, at Onley Grounds, near Rugby, between 2nd and 4th September. It was 'manned' by Helen Thirlby, Liz Webster, Ruth Staines and Rosemary Harris, John Sansome helped with erecting the new tent. Dreda Randall supplied a Caspian for the stand.

Totnes Show

Pandora, with Ruth Staines, also represented the CHS at Totnes Show in July. Pandora gave two demonstrations with her mares, Khomet and Kansei, on

how to train a horse to harness, giving several children from the audience an exciting chance to join in and attracting considerable interest in the Caspians.

Kingsbridge Show

At time of writing, Pandora and the mares are expecting to represent the CHS at Kingsbridge Show, although there is unlikely to be a chance to demonstrate or parade them. However, Pandora intends to enter them and possibly a third mare in some of the classes, for which she may be in line to receive a CHS Highest Placed Caspian rosette and pick up some performance points.

Senior Stud Book

We are proud to say that official recognition as the senior studbook of the Caspian breed by the European Commission and Defra has been achieved by the CHS this year. We have maintained

registrations since the 1970's when Louise Firouz' original breeding records were passed to the Hopstone Stud for safekeeping, therefore the CHS holds the 'Studbook of origin of the breed'.

Australian Flood appeal

Due to the generosity of individuals & Societies, £739. 17 was raised and divided between Rosie Mecca & Jenne Timbs, full update in the next magazine.

Gene Bank Fund

Two new posters and a Leaflet have been produced to help to raise money for the much needed **Gene Bank Fund** via the Just-giving donation site, we have a link on our website on the 'NEWS' page.

Christmas Lunch

The Caspian Christmas Lunch for Members, guests & Non Members is on Sunday 27th November 2011 at The Fox Inn Lower Oddington, GL56 0UR 01451 870555

£20 for two courses or £25 for three courses, including coffee. After lunch there will be a guest speaker & the 'Points for Performance' for 2011 awarded. Members will receive full information and it will also be on the web-site.

New Merchandise

We now have some interesting new CHS merchandise! Fridge magnets are a popular and lasting way of reminding people of Caspians and the CHS website. There are also CHS rosettes, pens and postcards, all with our website address, as well as the tremendous CHS exclusive polo-sweats and sweatshirts for adults and children. To purchase, contact Liz: lizwebster08@gmail.com

Congratulations

To Penny & Andrew for the safe arrival of their beautiful daughter at www.bathleyhillfarmelivery.com

The **World Horse Welfare** are urging everyone who cares about horses to act now to end the needless suffering endured by 80,000 horses driven long distances across Europe to slaughter each year. For an Action Card visit www.worldhorsewelfare.org/help-tomorrow/transport/action

The Autumn/Winter magazine

Vicki will be working on the next magazine from 1st October. News of your outings – and those photographs – are eagerly awaited! Please send any contributions to her by the first week in October – keep them concise and to a maximum 500 words please. The magazine will also include a fuller report on some of these news briefs.

The Third **INTERNATIONAL CASPIAN CONFERENCE** will take place on the 15th/16th/17th August 2012 in Sweden.

www.caspianhorsesociety.org.uk

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