ANNUAL SHETLAND PONY SALE – LERWICK 2011

Shetland's annual show and sale of Shetland Ponies was held on Thursday 6th and Friday 7th October 2011 at the Shetland Rural Centre, Lerwick.

Entries for the sale were down on previous years with 133 ponies entered in this year's catalogue. In particular there were fewer colt foals and fillies entered than usual meaning that the majority of ponies offered for sale were filly foals.

Top price at the sale went to Mrs L J Burgess for her standard piebald filly foal, Robin's Brae Pippa by HRE Fetlar, which realised 600 gns to A A Robertson, Walls, Shetland. HRE Fetlar achieved a gold award in the Pony Breeders of Shetland Association Shetland Pony Evaluation Scheme.

The champion filly foal from the previous day's show, Mrs M Inkster's standard black filly, Laurenlea Louise by Birchwood Pippin, sold at 475 gns to Miss P J J Gear, Foula. Champion colt foal Niko of Kirkatown by Loanin Cleon, from Mr D A Laurenson, Haroldswick sold for 10 gns to Claire Smith, Punds, Sandwick.

Regrettably, demand and prices in general were poor and some ponies passed through the ring unsold. Local sales accounted for a good proportion of trade as did the support of the regular buyers that make the annual trip from mainland UK to attend the sale each year.

The show of foals on Thursday evening was judged by Mr Holder Firth, Eastaben, Orkney and his prizewinners and the prices that they realised, if sold, were as follows:

Standard Black Filly Foals1stLaurenlea Louise2ndRobin's Brae Paloma3rd-		Mrs M Inkster, Haroldswick, Unst Mrs L J Burgess, Dunrossness	Gns 475 not sold
Stand 1st 2nd 3rd	lard Black Colt Foals Loanin Zephyrus - -	Mrs J I Roberts, Clibberswick, Unst	not sold
Stand 1st 2nd 3rd	lard Other Filly Foals Elengata Ella Grutness Oreo Westergarth Yanna	Mr E Watt, Kintore, Aberdeenshire Mrs M Flaws, Grutness, Sumburgh Mr N Johnson, Baltasound, Unst	20 50 10
Stand 1st 2nd 3rd	lard Other Colt Foals Niko of Kirkatown Gardie Elroy -	Mr D A Laurenson, Haroldswick, Unst Mr R Spence, Haroldswick, Unst	10 not sold
Broke 1st 2nd 3rd	en Coloured Filly Foals Elengata Margaret Northharrier Quadrille Northharrier Queenie	Mr E Watt, Kintore, Aberdeenshire Miss P J J Gear, Foula Miss P J J Gear, Foula	60 10 10
Broke 1st 2nd 3rd	en Coloured Colt Foals Cameron of Urgarth Northharrier Quicksilver Jerry of Nordaal	Mr J A Thomson, Baltasound, Unst Miss P J J Gear, Foula Mr W G Henderson, Haroldswick	not sold not sold not sold
Minia t 1st 2nd 3rd	ture Filly Foals Benstonholm Quintella Gue Maggie May Foula Princess	Mrs A Hunter, Vementry, Aith Mrs C Laignel, Dunrossness Mr J R Gear, Foula	40 170 50

Miniature Colt Foals

1stGue Majestic2ndHiorwick Aero3rdFoula Peppermint

Mrs C Laignel, Dunrossness Miss L Gear, Foula Mr J R Gear, Foula not sold not sold not sold



Champion Filly Foal: Laurenlea Louise - Mrs M Inkster



Champion Colt Foal: Niko of Kirkatown - Mr D A Laurenson

TROPHY WINNERS

Milne Cup for best foal from Unst: Laurenlea Louise – Mrs M Inkster Kiora Shield for best BAY from Unst: Westergarth Yanna – Mr N Johnson, Baltasound Kiora Shield for best foal not from Unst: Benstonholm Quintella – Mrs A Hunter, Vementry Stranduff Trophy for best filly foal from all Shetland Shows 2011: Laurenlea Louise – Mrs M Inkster Irvine Cup for best colt from all Shetland Shows 2011: Niko of Kirkatown – Mr D A Laurenson

TOP PRICES:		Vendor	Sold to		
Robin's Brae Pippa	Piebald filly foal	600	gns	Mrs L J Burgess	A A Robertson
Laurenlea Louise	Black filly foal	475	gns	Mrs M Inkster, Unst	Miss P J J Gear
Olive of Brindister	Skewbald filly foal	270	gns	Brindister Stud, Gulberwick	Mr G Milne
Benstonholm Quartz	Piebald filly foal	215	gns	Mrs A Hunter, Aith	Aled Thomas
Musselbrough Indy	Skewbald filly foal	200	gns	Mrs J H Priest, Unst	P Coutts
Omelia of Brindister	Chestnut filly foal	200	gns	Brindister Stud, Gulberwick	Mr G Milne
Loanin Maya	Chestnut/white markings filly foal	180	gns	Mrs J I Roberts, Unst	Olga Hughson
Gue Maggie May	Bay filly foal	170	gns	Mrs C Laignel, Dunrossness	A Clark
Mailand Chanelle	Chestnut mare	130	gns	Miss D L Jamieson	D H Thomas
Ellen of Burland	Piebald mare	120	gns	Mr W Spence	A A Robertson

Average Prices:

4 colt foals averaged 29 gns 49 filly foals averaged 61 gns 5 mares averaged 72 gns