



New Zealand Shetland Pony Breeders' Society (Inc)



From the Editor

Welcome to the NZSPBS Summer newsletter edition for 2026!

I hope everyone has had a happy and healthy start to the year so far.

Our little family has been loving getting out and showing this season. We also enjoyed a special family highlight watching Daisy and Florence at a family wedding, as flower girls leading donkey ring bearers, 'Tincy' & 'Pickadee'!

As always, I warmly welcome any feedback and ideas. I really love to hear from you all and enjoy receiving your photos and content, so please do not hesitate to make contact.

Thank you for reading!

Ngā mihi mahana,

Chloe Miller



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From the President

Thank you to all the competitors, helpers, stewards, judges and sponsors that made the South Island NZSPBS Show a great success. The weather was lovely and we were very lucky given the very wet and unpredictable Summer we have had. It was a super day and made extra special with the time members got to spend together during a shared lunch and raffle draw, which is always fun. **The next SI NZSPBS Show will be held on Saturday, January 30th 2027** at the Ellesmere Showgrounds.

I would also like to share our heartfelt sympathy and aroha for Christina Lewis, our former NZSPBS Editor at the unexpected and sudden passing of her husband Simon on 19th March due to natural causes.

Waikato Allbreeds Show has started up again and is running a Shetland Pony Section on April 11th. Thank you to all the members and people that supported this. Despite the eye watering cost of fuel, many members are competing in the Autumn Shows across the country. Thank you for your commitment and passion, entering and flying the flag for NZSPBS. Your entries contribute to the opportunity for those classes and Shetland sections being run in the future.

A reminder to get your **performance results** for Ridden, Harness or Lead rein Shetland Pony in asap to enable the end of year performance points to be collated and ready to be awarded at the AGM. These performance forms are on the NZSPBS website along with other other information you may need.

The NZSPBS (Inc) AGM is coming up on **Saturday 23rd May 2026**, with the meeting being held again at the Crate and Barrel in Leeston. By now you will have received the first email out for this and a friendly reminder to pay your Society subscription if you haven't already. Thank you to all of you who have paid your subs.

We look forward to catching up with you on this day and to presenting the Annual awards afterwards.

Anyone who is able is warmly invited to stay on for a meal afterwards, just let us know for booking.

A reminder too about getting your nominations in for the **NZSPBS Ambassador of the Year for annual award**.

This is for the NZ Shetland Pony Breeders Society member or pony, who during the course of a year promotes the Shetland Pony Breed and acts as an ambassador for the breed and the NZSPBS. Leanne Whyte was the proposer of this award in 2025. Leanne generously donated a silver plate slaver which the NZSPBS person or pony will receive. The decision of who or which pony receives the NZSPBS Ambassador Award will rely on you - members sending in a short email to nominate a person, or a pony, with a brief reason why they have been a great ambassador for the Shetland Pony Breed. The winner of this will be announced after the AGM and prize giving.

Please send in your **Shetland Pony Ambassador nomination by email to our secretary, Lesley Lewis before 15th May 2026**.

Thank you again Leanne Whyte for your great idea, enthusiasm and generosity.

Bernadette Woffenden



Silent Auction



Earlier in the year we shared the passing of Marion Lusby, a NZSPBS member, breeder and judge. She had a passion for all things Shetland and tended to collect things related to our beloved Shetlands like I know most of us do!

Marion's daughter has given two of Marion's collectable ornaments to the society to raise funds for NZSPBS and to ensure these precious items continue to be treasured. With her permission and blessing we will be running a silent auction for one of these figurines.

Please find the image below and information relating to it including the reserve price.

Please send your confidential offer by email to NZSPBS Secretary, Lesley Lewis at lewises@xtra.co.nz by 20th May 2026.

She will not share any information re: offers with anyone including committee members. The highest offer above the reserve price will be the successful bidder. If the successful bidder is unable to collect the figurine from Canterbury, they will also be responsible for paying postage and packaging because the item is breakable.

Beswick Horse Pony Thelwell Angel on Horseback, Brown Bay, Gloss Comical.

The reserve price will be \$50.00.



From the Registrar

TRANSFERS

Pony & Registration Number	From	To
Shilmaine O'Reilly 1177NZ	K Wilson, Mandeville	T Moore, Charing Cross
Duncree Adam Appleby 736NZ	K Young Clarkville	Lighthorse Adventures, Glenorchy
Duncree Artemus Appleby 1013NZ	K Young Clarkville	Lighthorse Adventures, Glenorchy
Oaklea Evealeena 905NZ	L & D Martini	A Moriarty, Amberley

REGISTRATIONS

Oaklea Faux Pax 1250NZ FR	Oaklea MacDoudra 1251NZ Mare	Double H Valencia 1253NZ FR
Oaklea Pieter-Berry 1252NZ FR	Toonmals Colour Me Bear 1254NZ Gelding	Tullamore Aoife 1249NZ

STALLIONS GELDED

Lael Moondance Magic 1127NZ



Piper Lawrence and Murrayfield Henrietta at Mill Creek Pony Club Show winning Champion Inhand Pleasure Pony.



'V', Narrandera Vulcan helping collect pinecones at his happy home in Blenheim.

2026 AGM Reminder

Saturday, 23rd May 2026 at the Crate and Barrel in Leeston.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Membership Renewals

If you haven't already paid your membership fees, they are now due.

Any enquiries regarding your membership fees, please contact our Treasurer:

Catherine Crosado,

Email: duncree@xtra.co.nz or 0274 337 840.

We appreciate your support.

End of Year Awards

A friendly reminder that if you attend a show anywhere in the North or South Island, can you please send in the whole Shetland Pony Section results for the end of Year points and Awards to:

Bernadette Woffenden

Email: jaelshetland@gmail.com.

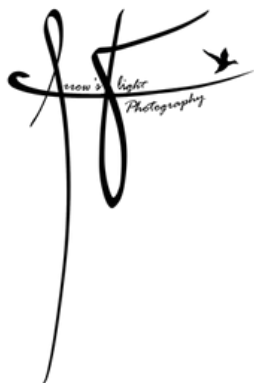
Thank you for your support with this!

NZSPBS South Island Show Photos & 2027 Show Date

The photos taken at this years 2026 show by Arrow's Flight Photography are available to view and purchase here:

<https://arrowsflightphotography.pixieset.com/nzspbsshow26/>

Our next NZSPBS SI Show date is: Saturday, 30th January 2027.



NZSPBS 2026 South Island Shetland Pony Breed & Versatility Show Winners



Toby Harden and Double H Citrus Liqueur

Champion Best Presented
Champion Mare 34" & Under
Supreme of 34" & Under Ring
Supreme Shetland of Show



Diana Humphries and Cotswold Andross

Champion Standard Stallion
Supreme of Standard Ring





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Champion Standard Mare ~ Nevaeh Zaidee, J Hunt
Champion Standard Youngstock ~ Cotswold Raven, D & J Humphries
Champion Gelding ~ Beechgrove Thunderbird, Woffenden Family
Champion Stallion 34" & Under ~ Domino Downs Bailey, K Whiting
Champion Youngstock 34" & Under ~ Cotswold Lilac, Woffenden Family



Shetlands at the Helensville A&P Show

The Rare Breeds Society had a display event at the Helensville A&P show.

“It was a lovely, friendly show with a nice crowd. It was really great to have Jeffrey join us with his Shetlands. The kids loved them and it is clear they are very loved. Jeffrey joined us in our first Rare Horse Society of NZ display at Helensville, a first in the Auckland region.

Our display consisted of a row of pens where the horses and ponies were on display for pats and admiring all day long. We also hosted a special highlight display in the main arena discussing movies that feature some of the breeds we showcased - for the Shetlands, this was, of course, the Littlest Horse Thieves about the mining ponies.

Additionally most of us also joined the All Breeds Horse Parade with a talk about each breed. It was great to see Jeffrey and his ponies join us for all 3 elements to bring the cute factor to the display. He had also made a really well thought out display board to talk about his ponies - we can tell he is proud to own them.

The Shetlands were showcased alongside the following breeds: Shire, Clydesdale, Morgan, Fjord, Friesian, Georgian Grande, Exmoor Pony, Dartmoor Pony, Highland Pony and Paso Fino. We look forward to hosting Jeffrey at the next Helensville Show. The Rare Breeds also attend the Rangiora A&P Show, Canterbury A&P and Equifest.”

Liselle Silver of the Rare Breeds Society.

(Jeffrey Jones' shetlands are Fair View Black Pearl, Birchlands Spotlight and Cotswold Canasta).

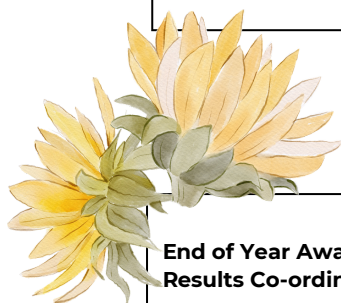


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* NEWSLETTER ARTICLES, PHOTOS, ITEMS OF INTEREST, CLASSIFIEDS, QUERIES OR CORRECTIONS CAN BE SENT TO THE NEWSLETTER EDITOR

* SHOW RESULTS CAN BE SENT DIRECTLY TO THE SHOW RESULTS COLLECTOR

* FINANCIALS CAN BE SENT DIRECTLY TO THE TREASURER

* WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK ITEMS CAN BE SENT DIRECTLY TO THE APPOINTED COORDINATOR



Karen Wilson and Shilmaine Molly Malone winning Supreme at Malvern A&P Show

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