

35th LOWTHER HORSE DRIVING TRIALS and COUNTRY FAIR

Sponsored by Edinburgh Woollen Mill and Cumberland Ale

LOWTHER CASTLE, Nr PENRITH, CUMBRIA

8th - 10th August 2008

By kind permission of The Lowther Estate Trust

Show Director: Mr Robert Benson
Driving Director: Mr James Corbett
Show Secretary: Mrs Jane Price (Tel 01931 712378)
President of the Jury: Mr Andrew Counsell
Technical Delegate: Mr Philip Bateman
Course Designer: Mr Barry Hunter (Marathon)
 Mrs Carol Meredith (Cones Driving)
Safety Officer: Plansafe Limited
Stable Manager: Mrs Eileen Cornish
Scorer: Mr Tom Petitpierre

Judges : Mrs Diana Brownlie Mrs Lisa Larsson (SWE)
 Mrs Pauline Scott. Mrs Philippa Thompson
 Dr Franz Vetter (GER)

Classes: Horse Four-in-Hands Pony Four-in-Hands
 Horse Tandems Pony Tandems
 Horse Pairs Pony Pairs
 Horse Single Advanced Pony Single Advanced
 Horse Single Open Pony Single Open

Qualifiers: National Driving Championships including the Dodson & Horrell
 Advanced and Open Single Horse National Championships

FEI Championship Qualification: Application made to the FEI

Lowther Challenge: A Special Cones Competition (format to be decided) will be held after
 the Obstacle Cones Driving Competition

The Worshipful Company of Farriers will present an award to the farrier and owner of the best shod animal
 overall in the horse and pony tandem classes

Provisional Programme:

Monday 4th August 1200 Close of Withdrawals
 Wednesday 6th August Stable Area open from 1400
 Thursday 7th August 1200 noon Marathon course open for inspection
 Friday 8th August Driven Dressage for all classes
 Saturday 9th August Marathon for all classes
 Sunday 10th August Obstacle Cones Driving for all classes

Competition Details:

A (i) Presentation: On the move during Dressage for all classes

A(ii) Driven Dressage: All tests in a 100m x 40m arena

Class	Horses	Ponies
Open Singles	FEI Test No 7a	FEI Test No 7a
Advanced Singles	FEI Test No 9 (2008)	FEI Test No 9 (2008)
Pairs	FEI Test No 8b	FEI Test No 10
Tandems	FEI Test No 6a	FEI Test No 10
Four in Hands	FEI Test No 8a	FEI Test No 10

B Marathon: 3/5 sections with 8 obstacles including water

C Obstacle Cones Obstacle Fault Competition, including a bridge and water feature **Driving:**

CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES : Monday 14th July 2008

Entry Fees:	Singles	£165.00
	Pairs /Tandems	£175.00
	Four in Hands	£200.00

There will be a £50 Surcharge on all entries accepted after the Closing Date

Full refund of entry fee up to closing date, thereafter at organiser's discretion

Cheques to be made payable to **Lowther Driving Trials**

Please enclose a S.A.E. for acknowledgement of entry if required

Start Fee: *To be paid on a separate postdated cheque payable to **Lowther Driving Trials** and sent with entry*

<i>Singles</i>	<i>£25.00</i>
<i>Pairs/Tandems</i>	<i>£40.00</i>
<i>Four-in-hands</i>	<i>£60.00</i>

Entries to be sent to: Show Director
Estate Office
Lowther
Penrith, Cumbria CA10 2HG
E-mail robert.benson@lowther.co.uk

Withdrawals: By 1200 noon on **Monday 4th August 2008**
Tel 01931 712378 Fax 01931 712679

We regret that a total of 80 entries is the maximum that can be accepted at Lowther in 2008.

If the event is oversubscribed, priority will be given to those competitors standing highest in the 2007 Points League placings. No entry which includes a pony under 11hh will be accepted in classes for Pony Pairs, Pony Tandems or Single Ponies.

Receipt or confirmation of entry will only be sent if a S.A.E. is included

Competitors and their essential staff will be issued with passes for the Stables Area. There will be a charge for additional non-competitors parking in this area; these must be included with the entry fee at £15 per person for the weekend

Stabling: Limited stabling may be available for hire. No charge for portable stabling. Shavings available, but please do not use paper bedding

Veterinary: Vets will be on call at competitors' expense throughout the event. They will be on site during the entire Marathon

Facility details: Refreshments available on Showfield and in Stables area
Lavatories, wash hand basins, pressure washer, bread, milk, groceries and newspapers and on site catering in the Stables area.
No tents please

General Information : There will be two water crossings and the obstacles will be in two groups. **Access for Obstacle Viewing for Competitors will be made easier by ALLOWING the use of Quad/Motorbikes through the Showground.**
It is also hoped that transport will be available between the stables and the show field throughout the weekend.

Lowther provides a wonderful family weekend with plenty to see and do for the non-driving members as well!

- ◆ Over 300 Trade Stands
- ◆ Cumbrian Food Fair
- ◆ Rural Craft Tent
- ◆ Country Fair
- ◆ Main Arena Displays

Location: From the north, 3 1/2 miles from M6 Junction 40
From the south, approx. 7 miles from M6 Junction 39