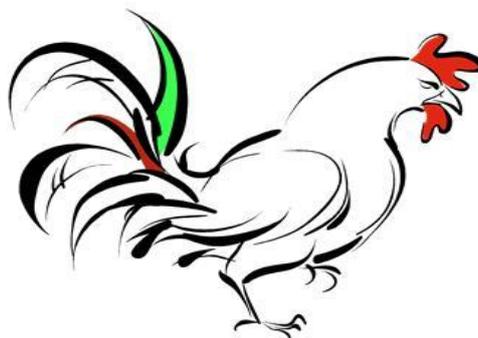


High Peak News

Newsletter of the High Peak Poultry Club "The Friendly Club"

Dedicated to the memory of Jill Ward



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Editorial.

First of all I would like to thank the members of the High Peak Poultry Club for allowing me to dedicate our show to my wife Jill, who passed away far too young last February. Our best wishes must go to Trefor and Eric, who have both been very poorly recently.

Now on to better things. Our poultry club is pleased to announce that we had another record entry of birds and eggs, also an increased entry of waterfowl and selling pens,

which appear to become more popular each year.

The quality of birds this year was exceptional, however the standard throughout was extremely high, and we must congratulate you all for the high standards you have set yourselves.

The club now offer 329 classes to exhibitors, however if you require further classes please let us know. We also had eleven exhibitors showing for the first time ever, we realise this

can be extremely daunting, the club does offer a greet & pen service to first timers, ask us on the day, our team will be pleased to help you.

The club have kept entry costs the same now for the fourth year running, despite our overheads increasing over that period by 16%, we are able to fund this because of our fantastic generous sponsors.

We feel at the High Peak that we have one of the best venues in the country at Bakewell, and we are extremely lucky. We have been at Bakewell 17 years now.

Prior to that we had our shows at Buxton, Chapel-en-le-Frith and Peak Forest. How things have changed from those smoke-filled rooms with men in flat caps all smoking, you could not see half the exhibits.

Even the national had humble beginnings, the first national was held at the Victoria swimming baths at Sneinton, Nottingham in February 1973. Incidentally I first met Mike

Hatcher at that show, there were 1300 entries on the day, however there were very few ladies showing, and no classes for children.

Now at Bakewell we have a purpose made exhibition centre with a restaurant attached, which is light and airy with all modern facilities, showing it is now a family concern. Also, now almost as many ladies are showing as men, which is how it should be.

No show can be staged without help, and in that respect the High Peak is put together by a great bunch of people, and friendly people. But we also need you to come along and join us, we would like to thank you all for entering and look forward to seeing you again this year.

Best Wishes.

Regards,
Peter.