

# BLENCATHRA FOXHOUNDS



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## NEWSLETTER – February 2016

### Welcome to the update of news and events of the Blencathra Foxhounds

A lot has happened at the Blencathra since the last Newsletter in terms of Hunt Supporters group events, shows and the commencement of Hound activity.

#### Duck Race – 26<sup>th</sup> July 2015

The Duck Race took place on the River Caldw at Mosedale again in weather that was more suited to their real life relations! Despite this, the river levels were low at the time so two heats and a final were swam with five top prizes. Thank you to all who bought ducks and supported this event, to Andrew and JoAnne Fell for the use of the field and to Dalemmain Estates for access to the river.



The Final – 10 ducks racing!

1. Daniel
2. Sarah Cowen
3. c/o R. Hodgson
4. Alison Mawson
5. Gary Stevens
6. Tony Gibbs (Booby Prize)

#### Lowther Show – 15<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> August 2015



The Supporters group displayed merchandise at another successful Lowther show in 2015. A raffle for a canvas picture along with a children's colouring competition also took place over a fantastic weekend which saw Blencathra Sergeant win Champion Foxhound for the second year running and £1028 raised for Hunt funds.



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### **Race Night – 17<sup>th</sup> October 2015, Thelkeld Village Hall**

Held at Threlkeld Village Hall, a new venue for this event, the Supporters Group organised another successful Race night with six races and a fantastic Pie and Pea supper. Thanks to all who attended a very sociable and enjoyable evening which raised over £1000, and well done to all the winners.



### **Hunt Lunch – 25<sup>th</sup> October 2015, Braithwaite Institute**



Our guest speaker this year – John Holliday, Huntsman of the Belvoir Hunt entertained around 80 supporters and guests following a superb Lunch again this year with a short biography of his life and career. It was again a successful event to which we owe thanks to all those involved including Frankie and Alek Grieve for providing the lunch and to all who donated superb puddings!



### **The Peterborough Festival of Hunting – 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2015**

Barry and Hounds represented both the Blencathra and the six Fell packs at the prestigious Festival of Hunting in Peterborough. Many supporters travelled down to enjoy the show of Hounds and the trade stands present.

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### CLA Game Fair – 2<sup>nd</sup> August, Harewood House

The Blencathra were invited to the Game Fair to parade with Hounds on the third and final day. As it happens, the Blencathra were the last pack to display at the final Game Fair organised by the Country Land and Business Association after 57 years.



### Forthcoming Events in 2016

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2016 – Blencathra Foxhounds End of Season Social Evening, 7pm

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2016 – Blencathra Supreme Sporting Dog Challenge, 12pm

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2016 – Duck Race

Saturday and Sunday 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> August 2016 - Lowther Show

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2016 – Race Night, Threlkeld Village Hall 7pm

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2016 – Hunt Lunch, Caldbeck Village Hall, 12pm (Guest Speaker Dr. Jim Cox)

### Merchandise

Calendar 2016 – **\*Reduced, now £5\***

Whiskey Tumblers - £10.00 each or 2 for £18.00

Recipe book - £5.00 each

Coasters - £2.50 each

Porcelain Mugs - £8 each or 2 for £15



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**Umbrellas** - £15.00 each

**Prints 'There go the 'Cathra'** - £50

**Blencathra Pens** - £2.50

Please speak to Alan Graham, Sheila Sunderland, Annie Binney and Dot Bell at our meets or events for items of clothing and merchandise.

### **Hound Sponsorship**

The Hound sponsorship has been very successful again in 2015/16 with £1655 raised, our thanks to Sheila Sunderland for all her efforts. This will continue in 2016/17 with donations from £20.00 and a new 'Under 16' sponsorship for £10.

We very much look forward to seeing you all soon at the many shows, meets and supporters group events in 2016/17.

Dan Atkinson  
Chairman - Blencathra Hunt Supporters Group