

THE MOORLAND HERDS OF EXMOOR

Anchor

Herd Number: Anchor
Prefix: Anchor
Contact: David and Emma Wallace
Tel: 01398 323459
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Established: 1920s
Location: Winsford Hill, Varle Hill and Ashway Side

The herd was established by Edwardian business man Frank Green after purchasing ponies from the Royal Forest and - with the farm at Old Ashway - it is currently managed by the third generation of the family.

The herd contains approximately 25% of the genetics of the worldwide population and is managed with an active selected breeding program to ensure bloodlines are retained.

Ponies are sold around the world and shown at top level as well as becoming fantastic family ponies competing in pony club teams and even pony racing and fancy dress!



Westwilder

Herd Number: 4
Prefix: Westwilder
Contact: Malcolm Westcott
Tel: 01643 862524
Established: The herd was originally established in 1931 and then re-established back in 1997 with the first foals on the ground in 1998.
Location: There is currently no stallion running on Dunkery.

Quality moorland ponies of substance bred for their hardiness and sensible temperaments, thriving on the moor and also doing well in the show ring. Limited breeding currently.



Knightoncombe

Herd Number: H8
Prefix: Knightoncombe
Contact: Lindy Mitchell
Email: lindymitchell1@gmail.com
Established: 1974
Location: Room Hill, Exford

Non-breeding. The Knightoncombe herd of Exmoor ponies was established in 1974 by my parents Bob and Creenagh Mitchell soon after moving to Withypool from Northern Ireland. Their foundation stallion was the very well-known Dazzling Boy, grandsire of Knightoncombe Capercaille.



Hawkwell

Herd Number: 12
Prefix: Hawkwell
Contact: John Western
Email: anne.western@outlook.com
Established: 19th Century – ponies registered from 1921
Location: Running on Codsand and Dunkery

Breeding under the Western family since 1918.



Tawbitts

Herd Number: H17
Prefix: Tawbitts
Contact: Sheralee and Charlotte Matravets
Tel: 01643 841008
Email: tawbittexmoors@gmail.com
Established: 1978
Location: Codsand and Dunkery

Tawbitts Exmoors was started with founder mare Hawkwell Lady Margaret, (an orphan) and can be seen out on Dunkery. We often have youngstock for sale.



Withypoole

Herd Number: 23
Prefix: Withypoole
Contact: Rex Milton
Tel: 01398 341217 and 07771 330057
Email: partridgearmsfarm@gmail.com
Established: 1818 by Nicholas Milton
Location: Withypool Hill and West Anstey Common

Unique and Traditional breeding on Open Moorland, ensuring survival of the fittest. Progeny being stockier, more robust and showing the characteristic of being redder in colour compared to many of the other herds.



Haddon

Herd Number: H42
Prefix: Haddon
Contact: Richard Eales, Ranger Exmoor National Park Authority
Tel: 07772 989737
Duty Ranger: 07970 099111 (Out of hours)
Established: 1982
Location: Running on Haddon, North Hill and Warren

The breeding programme was suspended in 2000 and restarted in 2017 to maintain herd numbers.



LittonWater

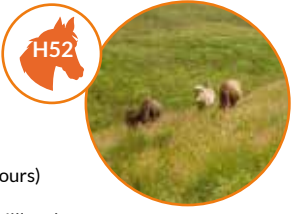
Herd Number: 44
Prefix: LittonWater
Contact: Richard and Mary Werner
Tel: 01598 740366
Established: 19th Century – ponies registered from 1910
Location: Running on Twitchen Ridge



Warren

Herd Number: H52
Prefix: Warren
Contact: Exmoor National Park Authority
Tel: ENPA Ranger Richard Eales 07772 989737
Duty Ranger: 07970 099111 (Out of hours)
Established: 1982
Location: Running on Haddon, North Hill and Warren

Non-breeding – last foals registered 2010.



Farleywater

Herd Number: H67
Prefix: Farleywater
Contact: C South, Chris Allen and Ian South
Tel: 01598 741272
Email: farleywater@outlook.com
Established: 1984
Location: Buscombe

Our herd runs wild on Buscombe all year round. The herd has 20 mares, we haven't run a stallion with the mares for the last three years due to reduced demand.



Moorland

Herd Number: 99
Prefix: Moorland
Contact: William and Henry Dart
Tel: 01769 550263
Established: 1966
Location: Running on Molland

Non-registered. Non-breeding - last foal registered 2000.



Porlock

Herd Number: 100
Prefix: Porlock
Contact: Rachel Munson and Matthew Coldicutt
Tel: 07494 776676, 07964 062977 and 01258 817771
Email: matthewcoldicutt@gmail.com
stonefarm63@gmail.com
Established: 1994
Location: Porlock Common

A now compact herd that in recent years has been taken in hand, with disciplined breeding. Of late our task has been to incorporate the fillies born into the herd.



Herd: 237

Herd Number: 237
Contact: Jemima Edgar
Tel: 01643 831252
Established: 1978
Location: Running on Withypool and in-ground

Non-breeding – last foal registered 2010.



Ilkerton

Herd Number: 265
Prefix: Ilkerton
Contact: Victoria ('Tortie') Eveleigh and Chris Eveleigh
Tel: 01598 752310
Email: eveleigh@westilkerton.co.uk
Established: About 1990
Location: Ilkerton Ridge

A herd of free-living geldings graze the moorland of Ilkerton Ridge. A couple of mares are kept for breeding at the farm.



Woolhanger

Herd Number: 350
Prefix: Porlock
Contact: Sarah Tickle
Tel: 01598 763309
Email: woolhangerestate@btconnect.com
Established: 1999
Location: Butter Hill, Woolhanger

Closed herd of six Exmoor ponies living on Butter Hill. Oldest mare, Blackberry born 1993, with Blackberry's progeny making up majority of herd, youngest born 2016.



Tippbarlake

Herd Number: 387
Prefix: Tippbarlake
Contact: Jessica Floyd
Tel: 01598 741201
Email: mariafloyd@gmail.com
Established: 2002
Location: Running on Brendon

Breeding.



Bluegates

Herd Number: 421
Prefix: Bluegates
Contact: Carol Bigge
Email: carolbigge@yahoo.co.uk
Established: 2006 (1978)
Location: Running on Deer Park and Simonsbath

Breeding rare bloodlines.



Foreland

Herd Number: 423
Prefix: Foreland
Contact: Josey Field and Kev Davies
Tel: 01598 763556
Email: Josey.field@nationaltrust.org.uk and kev.davies@nationaltrust.org.uk
Established: 2006. National Trust took the herd in-hand 2017
Location: Foreland area, Countisbury

Managed by the National Trust the Foreland herd are a fantastic example of healthy Exmoor Ponies, which are free to roam around Foreland Point and Countisbury Common.



Greystonegate

Herd Number: 470
Prefix: Greystonegate
Contact: Rob and Sarah Taylor
Tel: 07792 561057 or 07773 395919
Email: exmoorterrier@yahoo.co.uk
Established: 2010
Location: Long Holcombe and Simonsbath

Home to champion stallion Greystonegate Conker and Westwilder Dicentra. Breeding rare bloodlines and traditional type ponies



Ashtonfarm

Herd Number: 480
Prefix: Ashtonfarm
Contact: B Halliday
Tel: 01598 741318
Email: yenworthyfarm@hotmail.com
Established: 2002
Location: Brendon Valley, North Common, Oare

Herd was started to graze SSSI areas.

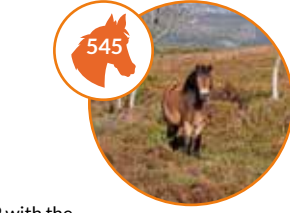


Dunster

Herd Number: 545
Prefix: Dunster
Contact: Andrew Speed
Tel: 07802 245843
Email: office@dunsterestate.com
Established: 2019
Location: Rodhuish Common

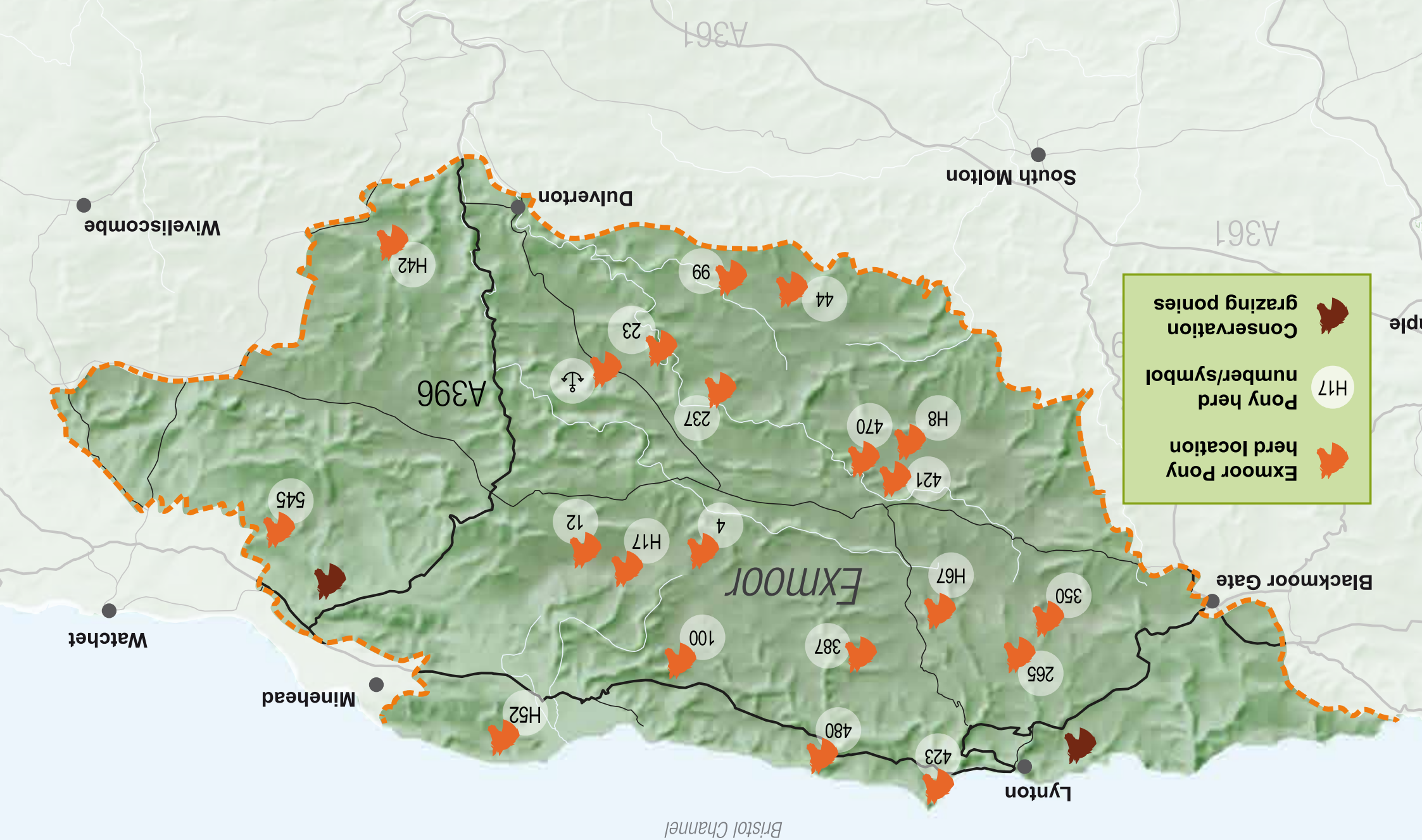
Dunster herd was established in 2019 with the first crop of foals from the mares purchased by MHPF (UK) Ltd with it's acquisition of the Dunster Estate from The Crown.

The herd forms the backbone of an environmental land management scheme of heather moorland on the southern boundary of the estate.



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THE MOORLAND HERDS OF EXMOOR

THE EXMOOR PONY SOCIETY

Guardians of the Breed

The Exmoor Pony Society (EPS) has been guardian of the breed since 1921. Its role is to register, preserve and promote pure bred Exmoor ponies.

The Exmoor Committee Of Herd Owners (ECHO) work together to manage the moorland herds.

Friends Of Exmoor Ponies is the fundraising part of the EPS and can be seen at shows and events all over the UK.

For more information visit our website www.exmoorponysociety.org.uk or call the EPS Secretary Jay Gee 01643 851777.

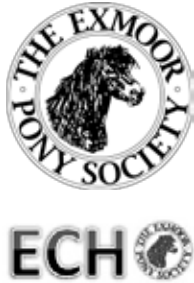
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MOORLAND FOALS

The Society holds a list of moorland herd owners and liaises with the breeders who have foals for registration in the autumn. The dates of the moorland gatherings and contact telephone numbers are available from the Secretary from early September onwards. If you wish to attend a gathering then please contact the moorland breeder concerned to ensure that onlookers are aware of vantage points and do not stand in the line of the ponies. Following inspections, the Society is able to advise potential owners which herds have foals and youngstock for sale and again provide details of the herd owners in question.

If you are interested in purchasing an Exmoor foal or pony, please contact the Secretary - secretary@exmoorponysociety.org.uk
Tel: 01643 851777



THE EXMOOR PONY CODE

1. **Drive slowly** across the commons and at night, use main beam whenever possible.
2. When out on Exmoor, **please close the gates**. Many of the commons are interlinked and stallions and mares moving across commons can affect breeding programmes.
3. **Please keep your dog under control** when passing the ponies
4. **Do not feed the ponies** or drop litter or food.
5. Be aware that both mares and stallions can be protective of their foals in the spring – so **admire the ponies from a distance**.
6. If you see an **injured or sick pony** on Exmoor, then please contact the Exmoor Pony Society (01643 851777)

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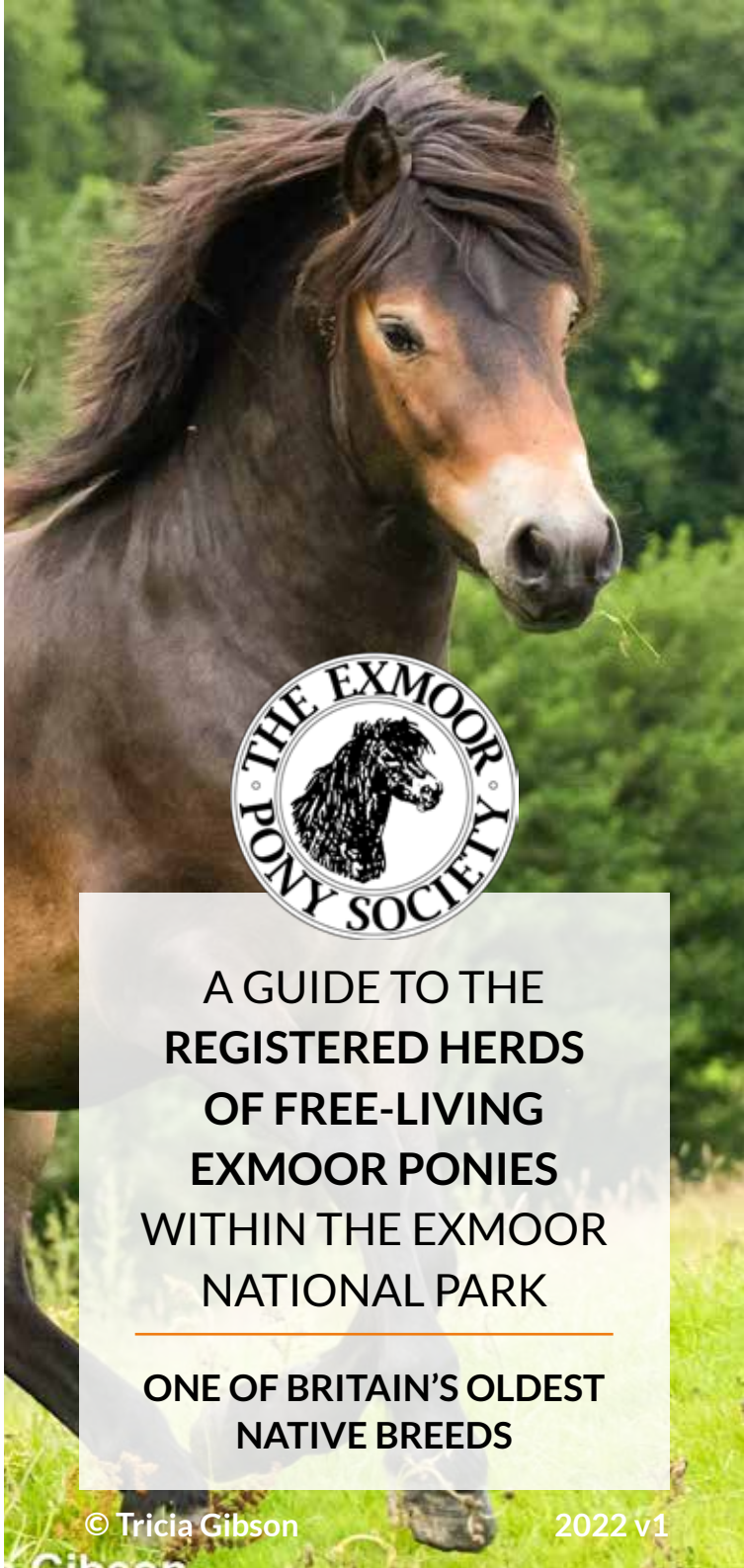
Each year, at least 12 Exmoor ponies are killed on the roads in the National Park.



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