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Fall At Fowgill



As we've go into our English Autumn its been time to harvest all the orchard fruit with or without piggy help! (See left)

This years pumpkin crop isn't as huge as we would have liked but will still provide the pigs and us with a tasty morsel or two.

All the buildings we use as piggy winter quarters have been cleaned and are ready for occupants once the

clocks change at the end of October and we enter the season of long dark nights. At Fowgill we aim to keep the pigs outside from Spring clock change to Autumn but it really depends on the weather. Although we don't suffer the extremes of weather in the US here in the North UK we are often 2 or 3 weeks behind our Southern piggy pals who get a warm draught from Europe.

We've had a steady show season with Smiler (a Dolly) & Missy (a Princess) and done nearly 1500 piggy miles and both show girls will hopefully have litters later in the year after the visit of handsome boar George (a Rufus). The left picture is Smiler & I in action at Cheshire

show where she was fed apples by the Countess of Wessex who was visiting the show that day. She thinks she is a special pig now! But then aren't they all special?



Gerry our first ever boar celebrated his 11th birthday with a sponge cake and a swim in his huge pond. Clover (below) I think had far too much champagne!

Of course we've helped the GOS

club celebrate its 25th anniversary with a small party here at Fowgill. My Aunt made us a super cake and we cooked pizzas in our outside oven and we were blessed with sunshine too. A bonus in October.



We also got a new puppy called Dezi who I'm sure thinks he is a piglet as he is always in trouble and always seems to be covered in mud! One of the joys of keeping dogs and pigs!

Hope you all have a great Thanksgiving

Best Wishes *Mandy & all at Fowgill x*

GOS Champions 2015

- Champion of Champions 2015—Cosscoombe Primrose 2 owned & bred by Mr Mike Smith Somerset
- Northern Champion—Birchfield Bluebell 402 owned & bred by Messr Whitley Yorkshire
- Southern Champion—Cosscoombe Primrose 6 owned & bred by Mr Mike Smith Somerset

Mike & Primrose 6 at Great Yorkshire Show 2015

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