

Yewtree On High (1992–2017)
Silver Graded Mare
(Unpredictable of Mallards Wood / Warren On Song)



It is with great sadness to report the loss, following a collision with a car, of my old mare Yewtree On High known as “Dabs” because of the four white coronet bands. She was in foal and I was eagerly awaiting one last foal from her.

Dabs was bred by my father Eric Dovey, out of a mare bred by my grandfather Hugh Dovey. She was given to me as a yearling when I was 16 and won the forest bred class in 1993 at the Breed Show. She was the foundation mare for the Lovelyhill pony stud and started mine and Alex Humble’s showing bug. Her show career included winning the Forest Bred Championship at the New Forest Show in 2002. We never broke her in as she was such a proven broodmare and will be remembered for all the colts she produced. Although she has had 2 fillies they were never as good as her, but it was colts that were her forte. She had 10 colt foals in a row...all with different sires!

She currently has stallion sons in Holland (*Lovelyhill Cranborne Heights*), Sweden (*Lovelyhill High Jack*), France (*Lovelyhill Magical Heights*) as well as the UK. This year her son Lovelyhill Folklore was 4th at Horse of the Year Show. Lovelyhill Magical Heights is one of the top show jumping stallions in France and Lovelyhill Golden Heights is an accomplished dressage pony in the UK.

Of particular note to the strength of the stamp of a brood mare she was, at the Stallion Show in one year, dam to the first 3 stallions in one class...a result which will be difficult to match!

I don’t think I will ever have another old fashioned broodmare quite like her, as deep as the channel and as wide as house...good bye my old friend.

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