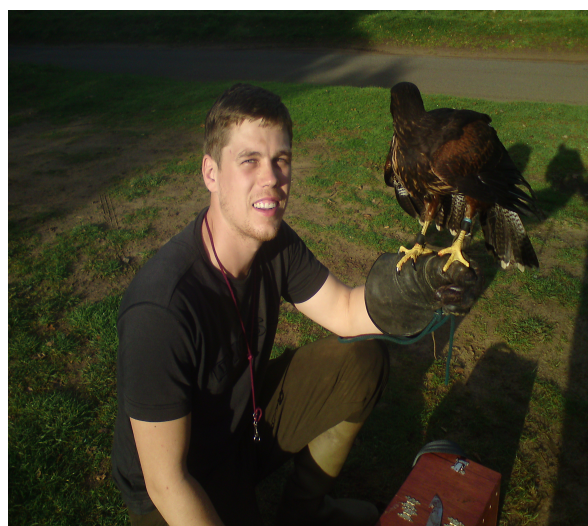


Members and club news



The Home Counties Hawking Club member profile is....*Ryan Williams.*

Club member for? *6 months.*

Years in falconry? *2 years..*

Birds kept? *Female Harris hawk.*

Birds flown in the past? *None.*

Dogs used? *None, not allowed the mother in law won't let me keep one.*

Ferrets, love them or hate them? *Love them, lost with out them...*

Other field sports involved in? *Lurcher's and Terriers, shooting and fly fishing*

Vehicle used for falconry? *Izuzu Trooper..*

Club Website

The address for the club website is www.homecountieshawkingclub.co.uk.

We would welcome some articles to put on the site from members, so if you feel that you have something worth while to write about please do so and email any articles to Stuart or Kelly at the site or hand to a committee member.

October meeting

At the October meeting we managed to get Simon Whitehead to do a talk on ferrets so we had to cancel the equipment making night. We hope to rearrange this at a later date. This was a very informative talk and enjoyed by all except I think Wrinkly who at one time could be heard snoring!

November Meeting

Terry burden of Kentish falconry will be talking about the breeding of birds and artificial insemination.

Club Meeting dates for 2010

November 16th Terry Burden from Kentish Falconry, December 21st Christmas auction.

Easy way to remember is it is the third Tuesday of every month at The Royal Swan, Blackwater, Camberley.

Meets



Hartley Witney 1/10/10

My first meet of the season and Paul and Chris Gray and myself made use of a piece of club land at Hartley Witney. We had with us my two Harris Hawks and Paul's immature female red tail which was there for some manning and Chris's male Redtail.

The first bury we did held nothing. The second produced a young rabbit that sat outside the hole. Chris's Redtail spotted this and nailed it at the entrance despite Chris not being able to see it from where he was.

From the same bury bolted another which my female Harris caught in about 50 yards. Straight after that another young rabbit bolted to be caught by my male Harris. Ten minutes and all the birds had caught and as it was early in the season fed up.

Meets



Wokingham 16/10/10

Present were Paul and Chris Gray and myself on a disused golf course courtesy of Ashley Barnes. We were ferreting rabbits and I did not expect a big bag as it was quite a difficult place.

Lo and behold there were rabbits aplenty.

Paul's female Redtail had the first flight and narrowly missed the first rabbit it had ever chased.

My male Harris was the next up and managed to catch but it was so small I do believe he could have flown off with it.

Chris's Redtail was next and was unlucky just missing its rabbit by a fraction. My male Harris then caught a full grown rabbit but this one had myxy

Chris's bird missed again and he was getting frustrated. Mean while my Male Harris caught another and this time it was healthy and full grown.

I put this bird away and got my Female Harris out and had just rejoined them in the wood where she caught a Grey Squirrel as soon as we got in the wood and then a further two rabbits.

Chris's Redtail was the last to catch and he finally cheered up!

Harris's versus Redtails, no contest!!!!

Total bag 7 Rabbits and 1 Squirrel.