

Celebratory year for OSB Group



he Oxford Sandy and Black Pig Group has celebrated its 10th anniversary by becoming a registered foundation charity. Set up to inspire and support breeders and potential breeders, the group now boasts over 2,000 supporters in the UK and around the world.

Founded by OSB enthusiast Kim Brook, the group works to promote the breed. She says: "The Charity status recognises the hard work, pro-activeness and commitment of the OSBPG which has successfully promoted and raised the profile of the Oxford Sandy and Black Pig over the years."

As with the majority of events planned for 2020, the group had to cancel its annual show and sale, which would have been its fifth, but members settled instead

for getting together for the 'Big Pig Quiz' on Zoom. Kim says: "We had a great evening of good banter and interaction, with some glorious auction prizes, and our supporters raised the overwhelming sum of £1,364 for the charity."

OSBPG supporter Christopher Jeffery adds: "Being a pig producer isn't for the faint hearted. Being a rare breed pig producer is an even bigger challenge and having the support and knowledge of Kim Brook and the OSB pig group is a great help. We are all passionate about the OSB breed and it is gratifying to know we can draw on the vast knowledge within this Group to help us with all sorts of pig husbandry issues."

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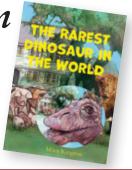
A rare breed of a different dimension

Just in time for Christmas, long-standing RBST member Cate Le Grice-Mack is bringing out a book about a rare breed of a different dimension paying a visit to a rare breeds farm.

For a number of years, Cate ran an RBST approved farm park at Norwood Farm in Somerset. The late Miles Kington, the much loved columnist and broadcaster, was a regular visitor with his Dinosaur-mad son. Miles thought "What if not all of the dinosaurs had died out 65 million years ago..." So,

Di the dinosaur pays a visit to Norwood Farm and meets its residents. The resulting story illustrated by landscape artist Tim Slatter, has a wealth of detail about the rare breeds on the farm, with the resulting combination of art and humour making for an entertaining read for parents and young readers.

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