

The Pursuits and Pastimes of Thomas Snape Tunaley, b. 1802 (much information kindly provided by Dr. Jane Holmes)

Thomas's web page is at:

<http://phtunaley.hypermart.net/tunaley--thomas-snape-1802.htm>

Thomas Snape Tunaley pursuits included pony-racing

Derby Mercury, 01 08 1832

“Sweepstakes of Five Guineas each, with Twenty Sovereigns given by the Inhabitants and Publicans of Derby, for Ponies not exceeding 14 hands. Heats, once round.

Mr. Mason's br Bistardy.....	1 1
Mr. Freemantle's b Lady Vune.....	2 2
Mr. White's b Pilot.....	3 0
Mr. Tunaley's grey, Cricket Ball.....	0 0
Mr. Pogson's br Elizabeth.....	0 0
Mr. Cantrill's br Elizabeth.....	0 0
Mr. Ordish's grey Frantic.....	0 0
Mr. Bradbury's b Vanity.....	0 0
Mr. Catlin's ch Doubtful.....	0 0

Dispute about over-height of Bistardy”

“Thursday

The BUXTON PLATE of 50 sovs, for horses, &c.that never won that value; three year olds to carry 7st; four, 8st.8lb;five, 8st 10lb;six and aged, 8st 12lb - Mares and geldings allowed 3lb- Heats twice round-To pay 2 sovs entrance, which will be given to the owner of the second horse. Three to start or no race.

Mr. Tunaley's ch f by Pickpocket, 3 yrs (Whitehouse)	1 1
Mr. Frost's br f Viola, by Filho –Moselle, 3 yrs	0 2
Mr. Worthington's ch f by Recovery – Bustard 3 yrs	2 3 “

Derby Mercury, 20 06 1839

“PONY RACE

Same Day-Sweepstakes of Five Guineas each, with Twenty Sovereigns given by the Inhabitants and Publicans of Derby, for Ponies not exceeding 14 hands, the weight to be regulated for size and age by Mr.Brearily. Heats, once round.

Advertisement -To close and name at the Red Lion Inn, Derby, on Saturday the 21st July between the hours of five and seven o'clock.

PRESENT SUBSCRIBERS

Mr. Mason

Mr. Ordish

Mr. Tunaley

Mr. White

No Horse will be allowed to start unless the Stakes are paid; nor any horse allowed to start unless the person at whose house he stands, subscribes one guinea; nor any Blacksmith allowed to plate a Horse without subscribing half-a-guinea.

STEWARDS: WM POLE THORNHILL Esq
ESWARD M. MUNDY Jun Esq

THOMAS BREARLY, Clerk of the Course”

Thomas later turned to breeding prize Chickens

Transcription of piece in Leicestershire Mercury, Saturday November 19th 1853

“Derby Poultry Exhibition &c-

The first annual exhibition of poultry, The Derbyshire and The Midland Counties was held on Thursday morning in the County Hall, Derby, which was fitted up in double time of pens for that purpose.

The following are the first prizes in each class::

Cochin Chinese: Mr. James Cattell of Birmingham

Pullets Mr. John Harrison Jun. Snelston Hall, Ashbourne.

Spanish: Ditto.

Chickens: Mr .E.W. Wilmot, Coloured Dorkings: Mr. John Faulkner, Bretby ,

Malay: **Mr. T.S. Tunaley**, Tamworth.

Chickens: Mr. James Oldham, Long Eaton.

Game: Mr. A. Mosley, Burnaston “

Berrow’s Worcester Journal, Saturday, December 17, 1853

Class XVIII, - Malay

For the best Cock and three Hens exceeding one year old.

First prize, £2 2s., **Mr. T.S. Tunaley**, near Tamworth. – Second ditto, £1 1s, Mr. G. Oldham, Warwickshire.

Footnote

“Tunaley, Thomas” appointed member of the Royal Agricultural Society of
England - Derby Mercury 31 May 1843

Whilst a number of newspaper notices have been discovered featuring the horticultural interests of the early Tunaleys, all but one of these articles refer either to "Tunaley" or "W. Tunaley", the latter presumably being William Tunaley (b. 1802).

The notice in the Derby Mercury 31 May 1843 however does refer to "Tunaley Thomas, Derby". This item could of course refer to any one of the three Thomas Tunaleys living at the time, viz. Thomas Snr., Thomas Jnr., or, of course, Thomas Snape Tunaley.

"ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY OF ENGLAND

A weekly council was held at the Society's House, in Hanover Square, on Wednesday the 24th of May, the Right Hon. Earl Spencer in the chair, when the following among other gentlemen were elected Members of the Society

Crewe, Sir George, Bart., Calke Abbey, nr. Derby
Smith Rev, John Tetley, Repton near Derby.

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Tunaley, Thomas. Derby

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