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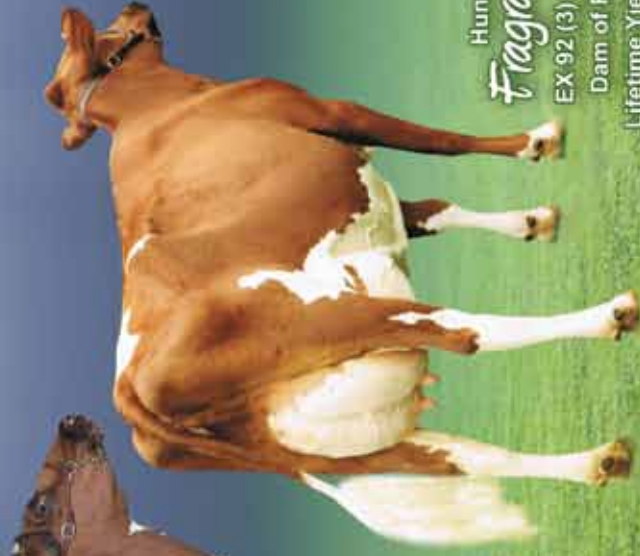
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Welcome

To the 2015 Spring edition of the Ayrshire Journal.

This is my last report to you as your President, and I can assure you it has been a fantastic year for Ann and I, travelling all over the country and meeting many new and old faces along the way.

By the time you read this, the clocks will have moved forward and we will be welcoming in the spring. It is difficult for us to be positive when the dairy industry seems to be so negative, with poor milk prices all over the country, but hopefully it is better for us, as Ayrshire breeders, to be working with a cow that will see us through difficult times, as easy cared for as the Ayrshire cow is, with richness in milk with protein and butterfat where a number of milk buyers are paying on components rather than volume.



Willie Whiteford

We all have to be extremely grateful and thankful to the late Frank Renshaw (Sapperton), who very thoughtfully and kindly left a legacy to the Ayrshire Cattle Society. A lot of thought will be put into how this should be spent, and, as already decided by council, we look forward to using some of it to create a new website to promote our breed and our services for the future.

This year Cattle Services are looking forward to their 50th Anniversary celebrations, with many golden offers and opportunities, so please let's all support them through this special season and promote British Genetics. Personally I am adding some polled genetics into my herd for the first time.

The World Federation appears to recognise the need for British Genetics, so why not be ahead of the game, British genetics, British type cows.

Having attended several Ayrshire Club AGMs, I have been pleasantly surprised to see how many members have attended the meetings, and hope we can encourage our younger members to attend. At our Cumberland AGM, our speaker was Philip Mattinson, who is a previous recipient of the Hugh Stevenson Award, and he gave a very interesting talk, his subject was "Showing Cows around the World."

The Cumberland Club are looking forward to welcoming our fellow Ayrshire Breeders and friends to the North of England for the 2015 AGM and Conference. We both look forward to seeing you there.

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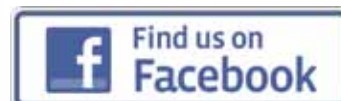
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Breed

Manager's Report Written by Duncan Hunter

By the time you read this journal Spring will be with us, cows will again be grazing the countryside (in some areas) and hopefully there will be some sort of stability in the market place for all commodities produced. Falling milk prices are always a challenge and even more so after so many have taken steps to reinvest into their businesses. There is no other industry that has to "ride the storm" so frequently, but dairy farmers are such resilient people due to the fact that they not only run a business, but do what they love to do. It is a time to remember the assets that you have, and by that I mean your livestock. Pedigree stock which have full records of milk production, ancestry records and classification scores can maintain their value through the hardest of times. If you are behind on registrations and wish to catch up, we can offer a catch up service where we can spread your payments over a few months to ease the pain! Contact me to discuss further.

I have said before, and I will say again that 2014, for the Ayrshire breed, the Society and the breeders, was a good year. Registrations were up by 805 for the year, publicity and promotion of the breed was helped by so many of our breeders' achievements which in turn has resulted in new people showing interest in our breed, becoming members and purchasing stock all over the UK. Let's keep this enthusiasm going. At the end of 2014 the Society received news that a very generous legacy has been left to the Society by Mr Frank Renshaw, who was well known to many of our members, and those who did not know him will recognise his prefix "Sapperton". Presidents and Council have already decided that some of this legacy can be put to good use, to help promote and protect our breed for the future through designing a new website, which will stand us in good stead to help us promote ourselves and our services further. Discussions will take place on how we should recognise this legacy through an award or such in memory of the late Mr Frank Renshaw.

On my travels I often hear the comment "which bull should we use"? Where do I start? To begin we must remember that here in the UK we have many different systems. You must breed a cow that suits your own system. Think first about what your cow has to achieve. She may have to trudge through mud, climb hills, and walk a long way to get to her grazing. On the other hand she may have her diet brought to her, need to stand on concrete for long periods of time and consume a high starch diet. I have always said that many comparisons of sires are difficult to make due to the diversity of our systems. Cattle reared on high ground can grow better than those on low ground. Soil varies geographically and this also makes a difference. It is a fact that genetics used in one area can have different results to another. Some genetics will click with some bloodlines but not with others. This is often seen where bloodlines have a diffusion of outside blood. Remember, it is not always the sire's fault if things don't turn out as expected, a cow family is also behind each animal! This is a point of consideration to think of when choosing your genetics use for the future. The fact is that everyone is lucky enough to have a choice with the large stud available at Cattle Services, which can provide you with the genetics you need. Breed Heritage is now developing steps to work with breeders to breed the genetics for the future. I have been working to produce a spread sheet, which is ongoing, to record the animals that can be of use to us, talk to their breeders to discuss and record breeding details. This list will grow as I get more input from others and visit more of our breeders' herds. Encouragement is often needed to enthuse breeders' thoughts of their own cow families, and together I believe that ten years from now we shall have a great pool of families and genetics for the future.

We have another busy year ahead of us with breed days throughout the year. Young Breeders will be held in April, in the beautiful county of Devon, which will bring us a new recipient of the popular Hugh Stevenson



Photo courtesy of Bruce Jobson

award. Shows are in abundance throughout the country and we will see our breed and our herds represented well. Our first National show will be judged at the NEC on Wednesday 8th July. (Please note all of the Ayrshires will be judged on this day). A judging school will be held on Saturday 29th August at Clochkeil, Campbeltown by kind permission of the Barr family and another will be held in Bolton on 22nd September by kind permission of the Patrick family. Recently we had our council meeting where many Society matters were discussed on. Can I please remind council members that you have been voted on council to report back and bring subjects to the table on behalf of your region. I would encourage all clubs to ask your representatives to report back to the club after each council meeting. During this year I do plan to visit more of you. Slowly I will get there, but please, if you have any problems or concerns about anything to do with the breed or the Society please contact me. I don't bite! I look forward to meeting with many of you at this year's AGM and conference in Cumbria.



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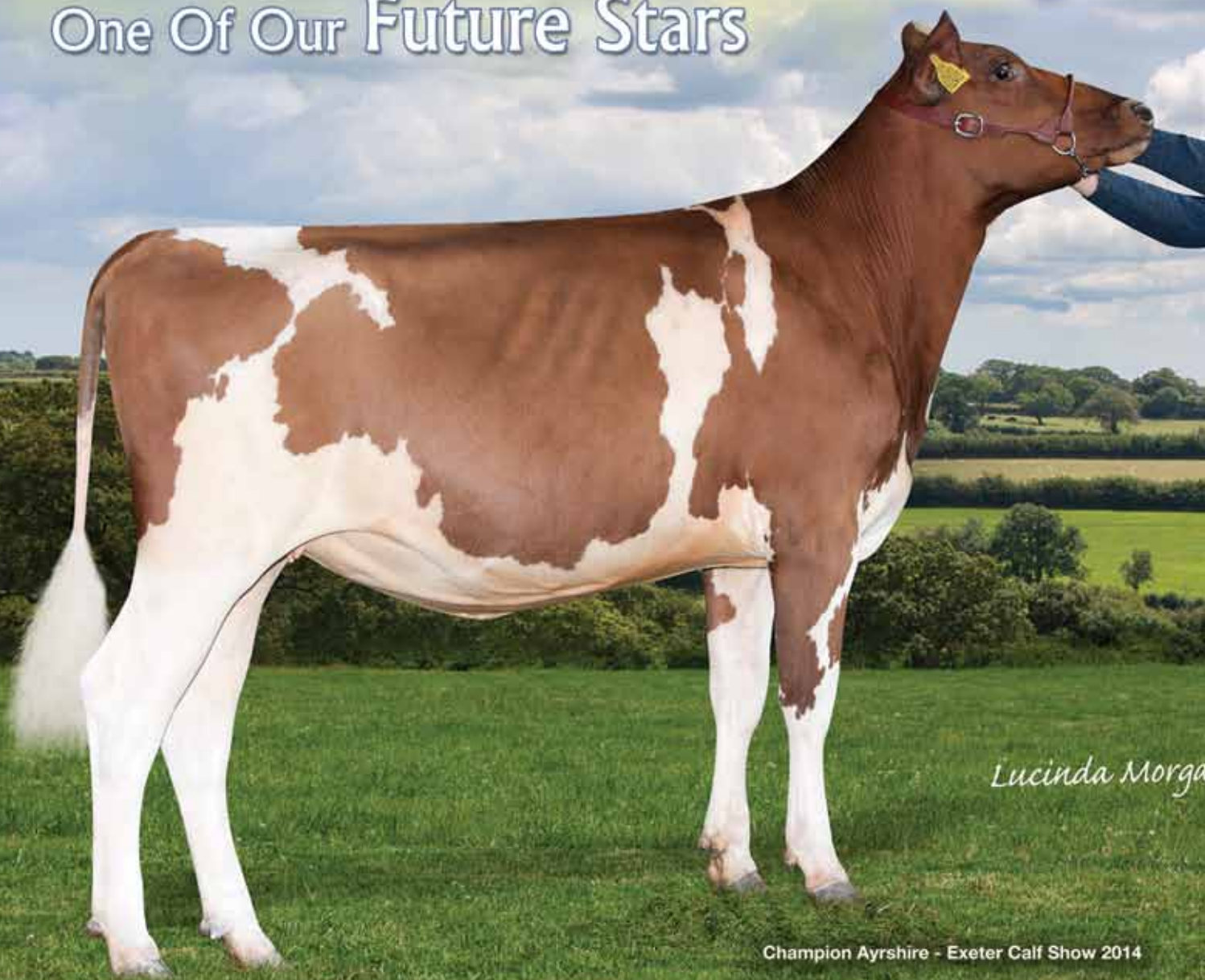
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Breed Heritage news

by Alan Timbrell, Chairman



Photo by Sheila Metcalfe

Hello Everyone. I'm nearly two years into my Chairman's role and I must say that the support I have received from breeders has been outstanding.

Over the past few months Duncan and I have been looking at the new figures that will effect the Type Base change in April. At the moment the type information correlation is **30% body, 30% feet and legs and 40% udders** and this has been so for several years now. We had a very well informed meeting with DairyCo, and I must say that the info that they gave us was most informative and thought provoking. They showed us the figures that affect our breed the most, and one of the most fascinating things that we saw was that udders scores had hugely improved, especially rear udder height and central ligament, but the biggest change we have seen over the years is increased stature and angularity. This has changed by almost two points, and DairyCo showed us an interesting graph showing positive stature and angularity having a negative effect on fertility and health traits. With this in mind we have asked DairyCo to run some different scenario for a way that the correlation can be changed slightly to be positive for our breed. They came back with some information which showed that it would be better to bring the body score to a point that will not reward extreme types, and also would not penalise the medium sized animals that have so many positive traits, by making stature a neutral weighting. The correlation for the base will now be set at **35% body, 35% feet and legs and 30% udders** for the next five years. This change will not be detriment to udders!

We are continually adding new families to the watch list for the Breed Heritage Committee to keep an eye on. Some of the families that are being looked at are - **Brieryside Swans, Hilltown Violets, Sandyford Joybells and Clovers, Bailiffscourt Hortenses, Knowe White Lilies and Swaites Dillys.**

These are only a few examples of families we are now trying to work with and monitor, but if there are any more you believe we may be missing please don't hesitate to call me, Duncan or any of the other Breed Heritage Committee members.

I have just returned from Dairy Expo in Carlisle, and I must say the quality of stock on show was a great tribute to the breeders that exhibited at this

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event. The Champion, **Loukat Lucky** by Trident, Reserve Champion, **Marleycote Brown Nell 20** by Burdette, and Honourable Mention, **Cuthill Towers Radar Ray 13** by Mandella, are all by Ayrshire sires which are of great significant. As everyone knows with challenging milk prices it costs a lot of money to attend these shows, and the exhibitors turn their cattle out to such high standards, so it is with a heavy heart that I have to bring up a negative comment about this event. I felt the international judge of the coloured breeds placed the animals very well, but didn't allow the exhibitors to show off their animals to the watching public - which was a great shame. Exhibitors need the chance to promote their stock to the many visitors who attend, not be shunted through a ring at jet propelled speed. We are told that our judges from this country should be more like North American judges, with giving good reasons and having the right ring presence, but I'm afraid this was surely lacking at this event in the Ayrshire ring. I wonder what would have happened if one of our judges had done this in North America.

I don't want to end on a sore note so I won't. I am so looking forward to this year's Ayrshire Conference in Cumbria to see Great Cows and meet friends old and new, hope to see you there.

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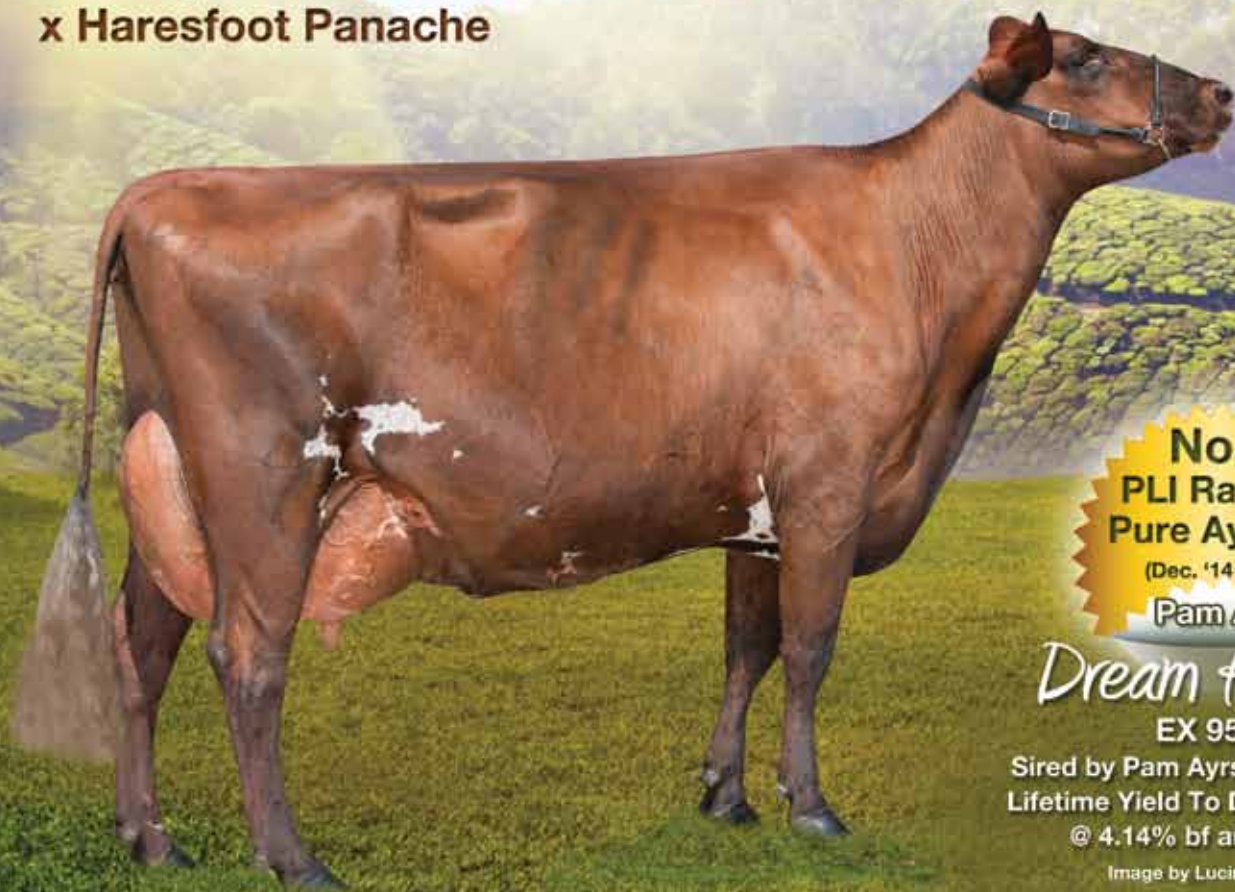
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Office

News Written by Claire Kimm

Council met on the 2nd and 3rd of March at Garstang with 27 members present.

Office Report

The new franking machine has now been up and running and we are seeing a benefit on the postage costs, in particular at journal posting time. We have now made formal our intention to reduce our office footprint at Westburn House and have physically moved into two offices. The landlord is actively sourcing a new tenant for the office we have given up and will keep us informed of progress.

Please can I remind you to purchase your new show uniform, ties are available through the office and shirts / trousers can be ordered via the Farm Wardrobe section of the society website.

Make sure you check Dates for your diary and the Society website which is updated with any up to date information.

As at 18th March the Membership is as follows:

Junior Free	201
Junior	66
Adult	794
Total	1061

The office has been very busy since the start of the year with various publications, registration catch ups, DNAs and usual tasks associated with running the Society and Cattle Services.

I have been learning the work involved for Young Breeders, Annual Conference, Show Bookings and various meetings for both the Society and Cattle Services and look forward to my first conference in May.

Obituary - Willie Caldwell

Sadly, we have to record the death in Mauchline of Willie Caldwell whose name will be forever linked with the famous Bargower prefix. Those attending the sale at Bargower, and latterly at Laigh Grange on the Saturday of Ayr week, knew him almost as well as the master breeder himself, Bertie Drummond. His ability displayed while working with and exhibiting Carbrook Ayrshires in Scotland, and successfully at London Dairy Show, resulted in him being "head hunted" to become the stockman at Bargower where he remained for over 30 years. His prowess in working with his beloved breed of cow was demonstrated by the presentation of the stock at sale time, and over the years by an array of championships, including several at the Royal Highland Show. His lifetime of dedication and service was recognised when he was awarded the MBE. A few months earlier he was predeceased by Sadie, his wife of 64 years.

New Members

The Society would like to welcome the following new members

- T J Binnington, Thakeham Place Farm, Thakeham
- I & G M Blamire, Mid Whinnow, Thursby, Carlisle
- C J R Evans, Gwarwenallt, Bancyfelin, Carmarthen
- D Gilbert, Freeford Farms, Lichfield, Staffs

Junior

- Charlie Bolderston, The New Bungalow, The Street, Norwich
- Molly Fosgate, 141 Windsor Drive, Orpington, Kent
- Charles Jackson, Crookgate Farm, Out Rawcliffe, Lancashire
- Frazer Price, Channel View, South Row, Redwick
- Sophie Rule, 2 Greenacres Close, Feniton, Devon
- Anna Waterhouse, Fourth Milestone Farm, Malton Road, York
- Mia Waterhouse, Fourth Milestone Farm, Malton Road, York
- Fiona A Wedden, Coddiford Farm, Chenton Fitzpaine, Crediton

Diary Dates

May	1	Annual Show & Sale - Exeter Livestock Centre
May	11-13	AGM & Annual Conference - Crown Hotel
May	13-15	Balmoral Show
June	4-6	Royal Cornwall Show
	18-21	Royal Highland Show
	23-24	Cheshire County Show
July	8-9	Livestock Event 2015 - National Ayrshire Show
	14-16	Great Yorkshire Show
Aug.	29	Judging Seminar - Clochkeil Farm
Sept.	22	Judging Seminar - Whitegate Farm, Bolton
Oct.	17-18	All Breeds All Britain Calf Show
Oct.	27-28	Council Meeting
Nov.	18	Agriscot
Dec.	10	Royal Ulster Winter Fair

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7. M/s Galbraith, Sunny Bank
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Sanderson Ayrshires



G. Yorkshire Champ. 2011 - Sanderson ES Buntie 161 pictured with the Sanderson family and Alex Kirkpatrick (left) - image by Anthony Mosley

David and Christine would once again like to welcome everyone to Thackthwaite Hall to view their herd. Unfortunately in 2001 the original herd was lost due to Foot and Mouth, and was restocked from the Waxham herd in Norfolk.

The farm extends to 200 acres (all grass) with 50 acres rented for silage (two cuts taken). The herd of 180 cows is milked twice a day, and the milk is sold to Arla. The youngstock are grazed away from home in the summer, and are housed on two farms during the winter months. The system is kept quite simple – David is in charge of feeding the cows, and Christine does most of the milking. Christine's sister, Marian Byrne, feeds all the calves, and Christine's son-in-law Barry Williams milks two days a week.

The family enjoy showing, and have won the Great Yorkshire Show with Waxham Whiterose, Sanderson ES Buntie 161, and Sanderson Buntie 6. David and Christine, and along with Nick Armstrong, purchased Middle Georgette MM EX 95 who has been shown at Agriscot, the Highland, the Great Yorkshire (four times – won production twice), Cumberland (five times – supreme twice), Cockermouth (three times – champion twice), Westmorland (four times – supreme once) and Dumfries.

She has one daughter milking by a homebred bull (Sanderson Extra Special) and has another daughter by Ardmore Crown Napier. Georgette has one grand daughter in the herd by Hunnington BBK Easlad and also has two sons (Sanderson George and Nick) which they have used. They have 45 daughters in the herd sired by Sanderson George, and have one by Sanderson Nick, who was sold after a bull calf by Killoch Noble Gift was retained. Georgette herself milks very well with a lifetime yield of 63590 kgs with fat never below 4.18 and as high as 5.02.

Another great cow, purchased from the Whiteford Family, was Middle Emerald MR – she was the first cow to win the National Dairy Show and was also champion at the Great Yorkshire and Cumberland Shows. Emerald has one daughter in the herd – Sanderson MJ Emerald, and has bred one bull, Sanderson Emerald Isle, which they have used, and there are six or seven daughters of his milking with more in the pipeline. Two Emerald MR embryos by Cuthill Towers Romeo have also been implanted into heifers.

There is one cow left from those that were originally purchased from the Harvey family in Norfolk, Waxham Biscuit 20 EX 92, and this is Christine's favourite. She has a lifetime production of 105 tons of milk and has been served once again to Troutbeck Skyfall. Sanderson Breakaway, who is a son of Biscuit, has been used quite widely in the herd. Other Waxham bred cows in the herd are Anita, Evergreen, Lamplight, Lizzie, Peach, Princess, Sunny, Tangle and Whitesocks. Other families in the herd are Norina, Isobell, Felix, Lady In Red and Pansy from the Syke herd, Bunty from the Stevenson's herd, and Brown Bud and Quality from the Bankend herd.

The bulls currently on the farm on the moment are Troutbeck Skyfall, Killoch Noble Gift and Sandyford Rocky. AI sires currently used are – Cuthill Towers Romeo, West Mossgiel Class Talent, West Mossgiel Modern Reality, Riverdane Artist Red, Palmyra Tri-Star Burdette, Kamouraska Rockstar, Des Fleur Perfect, Big Red Apple and Southland Massive.

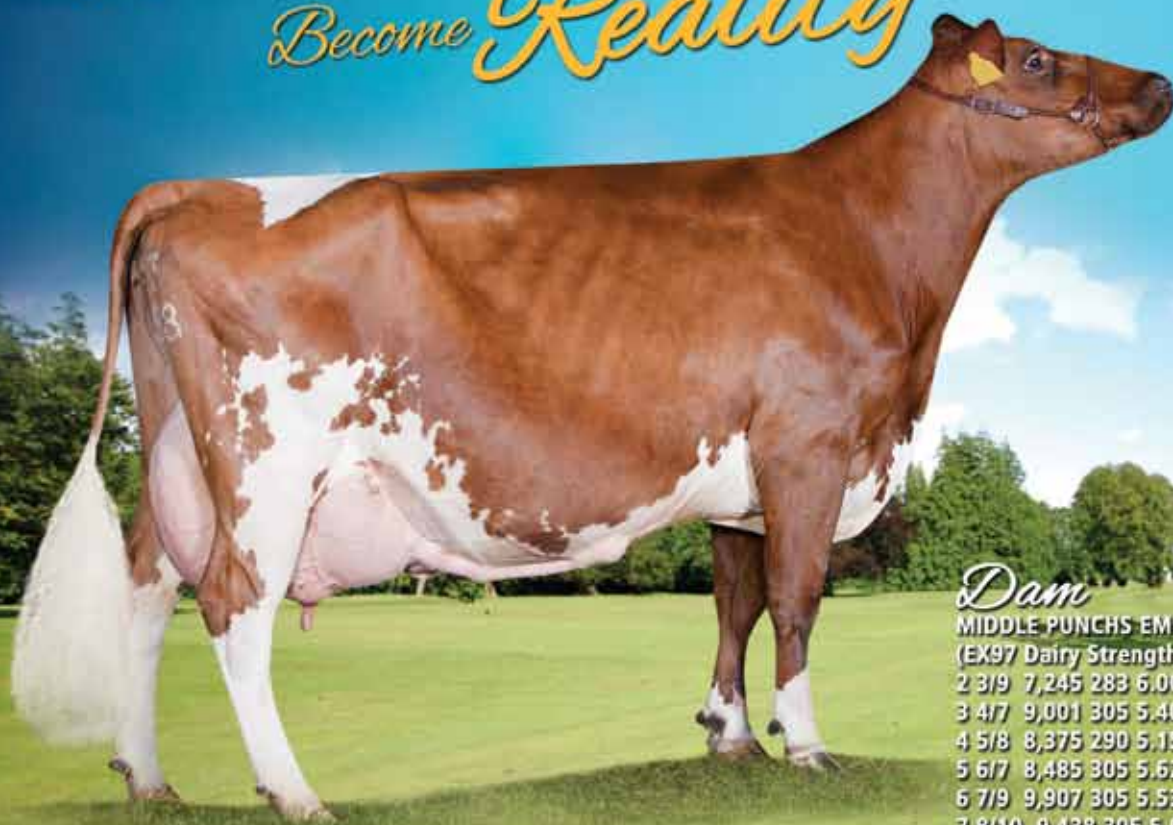
They enter the Cumberland Herds and progeny competition every year and try and support the Club as much as possible. They are looking forward to meeting you all in May.

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4 5/18	8,375	290	5.15%	3.60%
5 6/17	8,485	305	5.62%	3.75%
6 7/19	9,907	305	5.53%	3.60%
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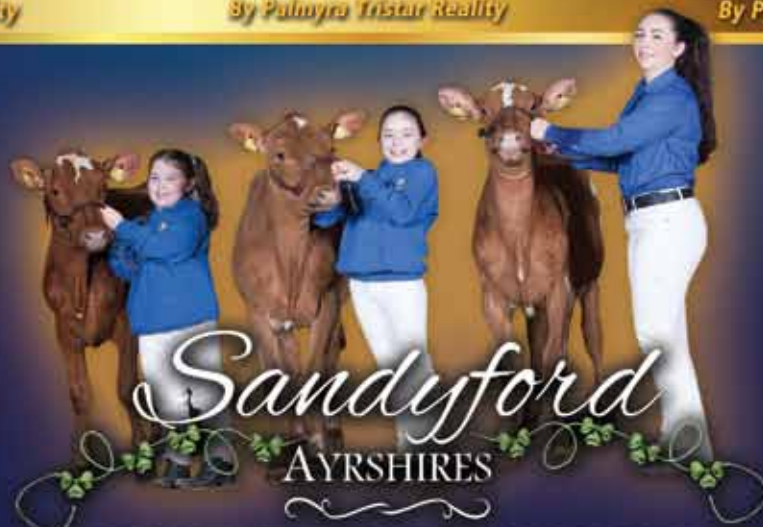
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2015 Ayrshire Annual Conference Farm Visit

Troutbeck Ayrshires



Image by Sheila Metcalfe

The Mattinson family of Frank, Margaret and sons Philip and James are delighted to welcome delegates to the 2015 Ayrshire Conference to view their Troutbeck herd. We are very excited about Tuesday 12th May as it is an opportunity to share our two main passions, firstly our herd of cows and secondly to show people around our farm which we purchased 10 years ago. Rosewain Farm is located six miles west of Carlisle in the fertile Solway plain, with the beautiful Lake District fells as a back drop.

In the past ten years the farm has grown to its current 500 acres over two holdings, Rosewain is home to the dairy herd where the Conference will be visiting, and East Curthwaite Farm is home to all the young stock. The majority of the farm is sown down to grass with around 40 acres of wholecrop grown for the young stock. The cows are fed a TMR ration in the winter of grass silage, brewers' grains and a blend and are fed concentrates in the parlour. The dry land at Rosewain means cows can be grazed from early April right through until late October. The herd is made up of around 250 milk cows and 350 followers. The current yield is around 7,938 kgs at 4.53% bf and 3.33% p, with a calving interval of 389 days.

The herd was founded in 2001 and since then hard work and enthusiasm has helped develop the herd into what it is today. The use of Red & White genetics has given us a modern functional animal that suits our system without losing the attributes of the Ayrshire breed. Bulls that have made an impact on our herd include West Mossziel Lord Of The Rings, from the Lizzie family, which we shared with the late Robert Cunningham. One of his special daughters, Troutbeck Robina EX 94 who was the 2013 UK Dairy Expo champion, can be viewed on the day. More recently the Dutch bull, Poos Stadel Classic, has been used extensively and his daughters excel with quality and super legs and feet. Current service sires include Burdette, Gibbs, Mandella and Skyfall with red bulls



James, Frank and Philip

including Fidelity, O'Kalif and Red Impulse. We have many special cow families, but one worthy of a mention has to be the Jess family with Myerscough Jess, who is in her 8th lactation, being the foundation cow with many daughters and grand daughters milking and her quality shines through. The Antics are another outstanding family with Troutbeck Antic 17 EX being one of our stars. She was reserve Champion at Agriscot in 2013 and smashed the Cumbrian herds milk competition at 17,000 kgs of milk in 365 days, beating all breeds.

We are sure that everyone will have a wonderful stay up in Cumbria for this year's Conference as the county really does have it all, beautiful scenery, great hospitality and most importantly fantastic Ayrshire cows. We look forward to seeing you all.

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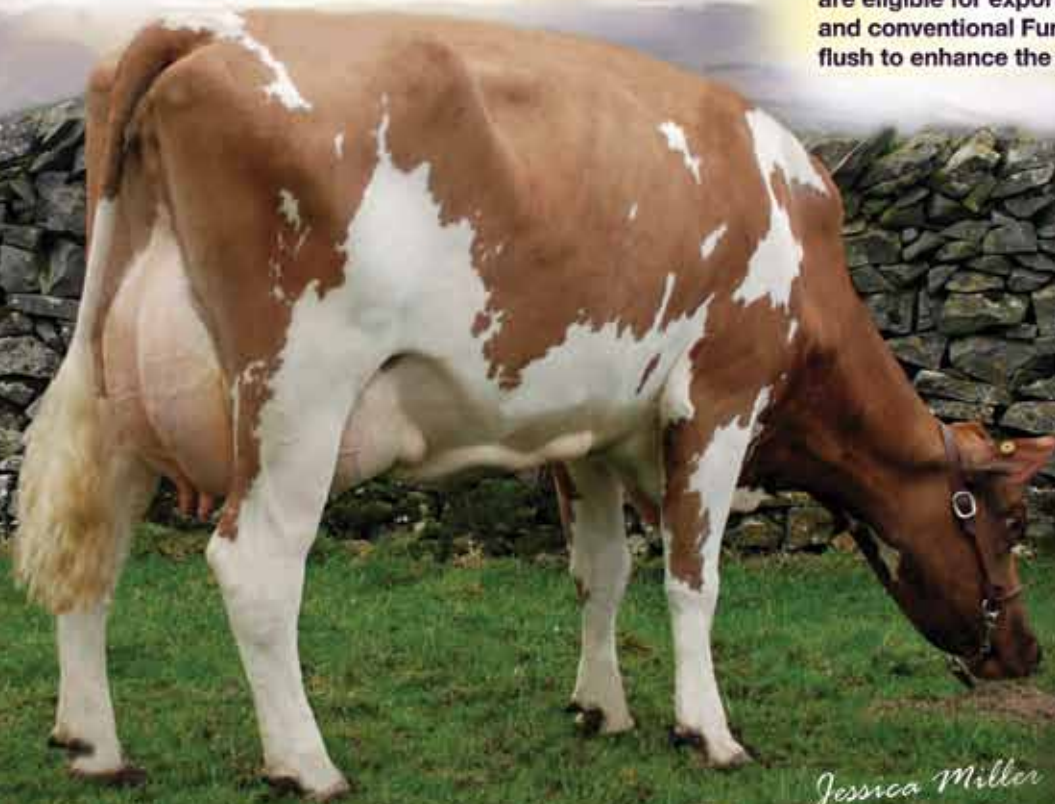
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Sired by Furtado, this new young sire from the
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and conventional Furtado semen was used in this
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Heydale
Brona
Shady
Elaine

EX 90

Dam of Dream Bronara
Sire: Shady Walnut Conn
Lifetime yield to date:
35,395 in five lactations.

Jessica Miller



Left:
Heydale Bronara
EX 93 3E 2 Stars

Right:
Whitecroft
Nellie 38 EX 93 3E

M. G. Dam of Heydale Dream Bronara
Sire of Bronara: Ardrossan E V Kate's Trident
Lifetime yield: 42,222 kgs



Dam of Whitecroft Furtado EX 90
Sire of Nellie 38: Celandine First Lord
Lifetime yield to date: 29,721 kgs in four lactations.

So Take This Chance & Make Your Dream Come True!

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Plaskett Ayrshires

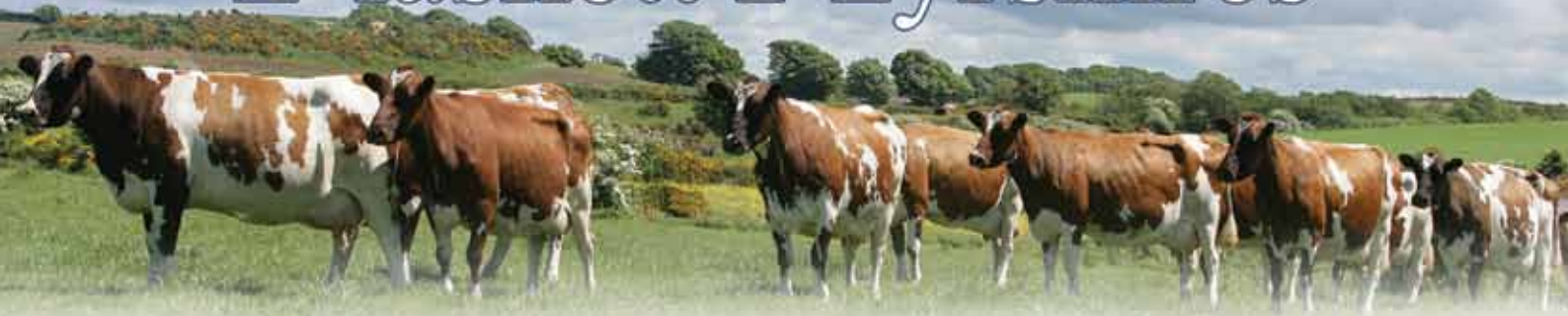


Image by Sheila Metcalfe

The Armstrong family welcome delegates for the 2015 Conference to Plaskett Lands, farming on the edge of the Solway Coast.

The herd was founded by the Strickland family in 1938 with non pedigree females, moving to Plaskett Lands in 1942, became members of the Society in 1946, and registering our first pedigree cattle in 1948. Three generations of the Armstrong family are now at the farm, Joe and Kathleen (nee Strickland), son Rodney and wife Annabell, with their family Michael, Laura and Amy, all taking an active role in the business. We farm 225 acres over two farms on light sandy land. We have 200 head of cattle, 75 milking cows and 125 followers.

The foundation of the herd consisted of Bargower and Round Bush sires, and their legacy is still present in today's herd. We find 100% Ayrshire sires work best in our herd, Red and White bloodlines have been used a little in the past but we feel they don't suit our system. Cow health is very important to us, including good legs and feet. We don't own a foot bath! We need a cow that is robust enough to look after its self. We buy a stock bull every couple of years and in the past these have included Round Bush Edward, Stamford Milk Link, Meikle Laught Top Value, Haresfoot Elmo and Horseclose Joint Venture. Hunnington Flash, our latest bull purchased jointly with Jim McGarva, Horseclose, is now serving heifers. Michael, our son, is our resident AI man, and we have used many of the top bulls from Cattle Services with varied results. British Blue semen is also used on the lower end of the herd.

All animals born on the farm are reared. Ayrshire heifers for replacements and surplus sold. Bulls and replacements are reared by Rodney's brother, Neil, and wife Irene, on our second farm at High Tams. The bulls are left entire, some, out of the better cows, kept for breeding. A number were sold last year to both pedigree and commercial herds, with the remainder sold fat through local marts. Cows are fed a grass based diet, and they are out grazing for seven months, longer if the weather allows. Big bale silage and whole crop are fed twice a day in winter months, we use as much home grown feed as possible, and this is topped up with 1.2 tonne concentrate per lactation in the parlour. Our milk is sold to First Milk at the Lake District Creamery, Aspatria. We are currently on a cheese contract and paid on weight of solids, so quality milk and low cell counts are essential and this is where the Ayrshire cow excels.

Crops grown: eight acres winter barley, 26 acres spring barley, 1200 round baled silage, 200 bales hay. We only rely on outside contractors to sow and harvest the barley, all other field work is done by ourselves. Five acres of potatoes and two acres of vegetables are also grown, and these are sold at local markets four days a week direct to the public from June through to April.



The Armstrong family
image by Sheila Metcalfe



Plaskett Jolly 191 EX 96

Classification was started again in 2011, with fantastic success still coming for our Round Bush Edward progeny: Plaskett Jolly 191 was classified EX 96 last year, and she is carrying her 11th calf, due July to Hilltown Oblique. We currently have eight Edward cows in the herd averaging EX 93, from eight to twelve lactations. Plaskett Jolly 190 EX 92 is currently in her 12th lactation, and last year won 2014 Genus Long Life Cow, Cumbria County Winner, All Breeds. Plaskett Lucky Charm 250 EX 94 in her 11th lactation only having been served twelve times in her lifetime.

We hope you all see something you like and appreciate our vision for the breed.

M/s Armstrong

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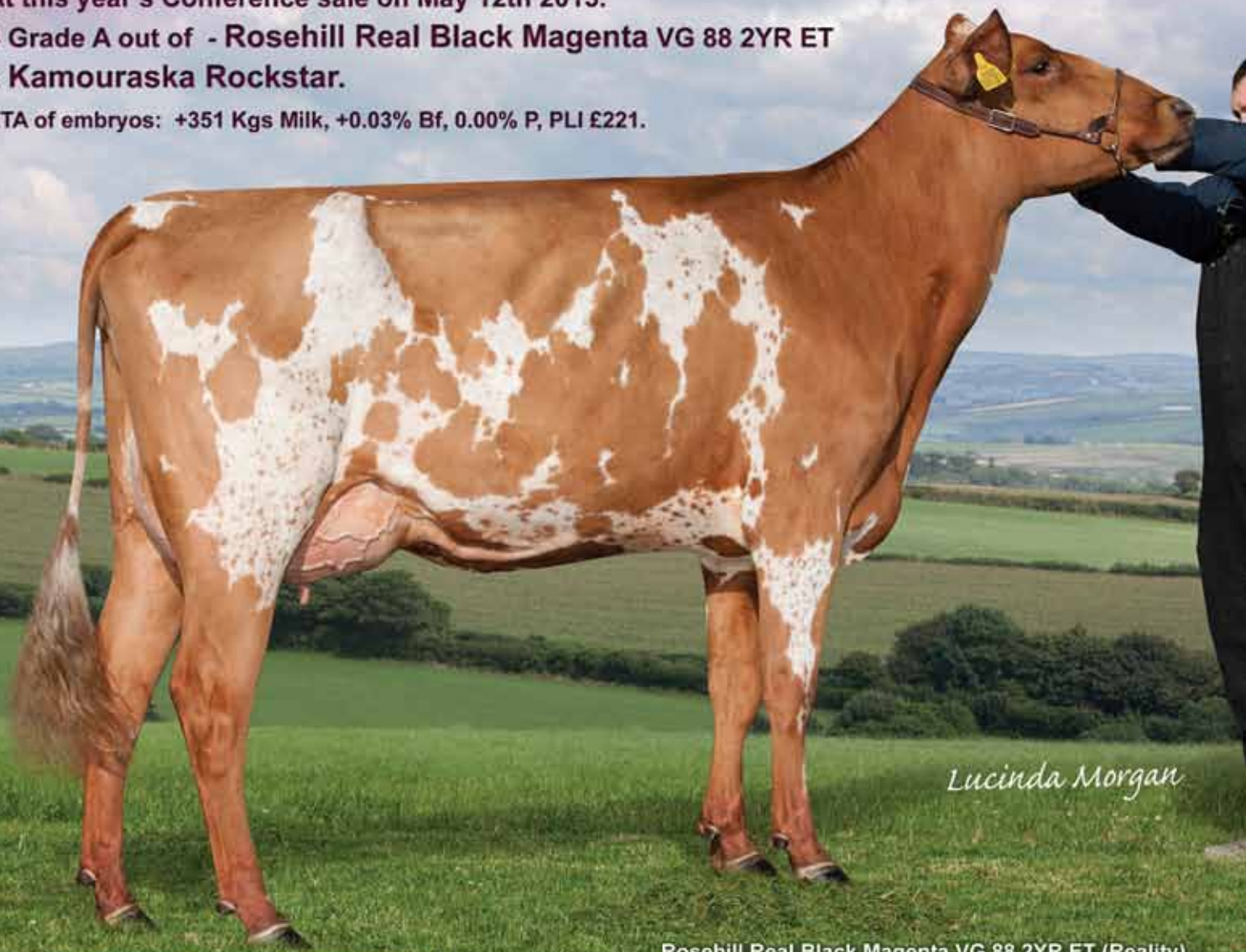
Rosehill Ayrshires

Offer Really Rocking Embryos

At this year's Conference sale on May 12th 2015.

4 Grade A out of - Rosehill Real Black Magenta VG 88 2YR ET
x Kamouraska Rockstar.

ETA of embryos: +351 Kgs Milk, +0.03% Bf, 0.00% P, PLI £221.



Lucinda Morgan

Rosehill Real Black Magenta VG 88 2YR ET (Reality)

Real Black Magenta is 8th Gen. VG/EX

PTA: Dec. '14 : +396 Kgs Milk, 17.2 Kgs, +0.01% Bf, 12.6 Kgs, -0.01% Prot, PLI £241
Best heifer - S W. Herds Comp. '14 and full sister to Rosehill Real McCoy EX 91.

1st lact : 18/01/14 8,822 Kgs Milk, 4.04% Bf, 3.34% Prot., SCC 58, PI 138
Flushed and calved again in 357 days.

2nd lact : 10/01/15 : 1st test : 37.5 Kgs Milk @ 5.77% Bf and 4.07% Prot.

Dam: Rosehill Black Magenta EX 93 3E 1 Brood Star : av 11,478 Kgs over 5 lacts.

G.Dam: Rosehill Magenta EX 94 9E 4 Brood Stars: Lifetime to date: 97,659 Kgs



Black Magenta's udder shots as a second calver.

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Marleycote Ayrshires

David, Shirley, Richard and Paul look forward to welcoming the Ayrshire Cattle Society Conference delegates to Marleycote Walls on Wednesday 13th May 2015.

Livestock: 70 Dairy Shorthorn cows, 60 Ayrshire cows, dairy replacements & bull beef.

The farm: Marleycote Walls runs to 165 acres, along with nearby Woodnook Farm of 120 acres. Cropping is mainly grass with 30 acres barley and 15 acres wheat.

The Marleycote herd of pedigree Dairy Shorthorns dates back more than 70 years. The herd was established in 1932 by the late Geoffrey Baynes and is now managed by his descendants – son David and grandsons Richard and Paul. When we purchased a nearby farm in 1994 the dairy herd numbers were increased with the purchase of Ayrshire cows from a number of herds, including Morwick and Middle.

The Baynes have blended their Shorthorn cows with modern-day red and white cows. 20 years ago Swedish Red and subsequently American Milking Shorthorn breeding was introduced, then Ayrshire and Holstein crosses were used taking care not to compromise on the traditional Shorthorn breed's attributes of quality milk production, good health and longevity, to produce what they believe is the ideal dairy cow. While few cows are 100 percent Shorthorn, their ideal is to maintain at least 25 percent Shorthorn bloodlines in the herd.

The original Ayrshire cows were a mix of pure and blended bloodlines. The breeding policy has been to mate each cow individually to try to improve her faults, so a wide variety of pure and blended bulls are used. Although breeding the right type of cow is more important than percentage, the show ring plays an important part in our breeding decisions so if possible we aim to keep them over 50%

The aim with both breeds is for a cow to last 7 - 8 lactations with an average yield of 8,000 litres, whilst going straight back in calf with minimum health problems. The herd is nationally renowned for quality and has an impressive show record at the country's top agricultural shows, including the Northumberland County, The Royal Highland and Dairy Events. Cattle from the Marleycote herd are also regular and successful competitors at the North East All Breeds Dairy Calf Show and the National All Breeds Dairy Calf Show. The Great Yorkshire Show remains the favorite show. Recent successes include in 2011 Marleycote Barrington Iris winning Shorthorn Champion and Reserve Interbreed



David, Paul and Richard

Champion. In 2012 Morwick Fawn added to her long list of show successes with the Ayrshire championship. In February 2010, the herd set a Dairy Shorthorn breed record at auction when Marleycote Fleur 30 sold at the Elite Sale at Stoneleigh for 3,600 gns.

In 2009 the existing milking and housing facilities were becoming outdated, so investment was made in two Lely Astronaut robotic milkers and a new purpose-built shed. This was designed with cow comfort and ease of management in mind and includes 124 cubicles, slatted floor with eight months slurry storage underneath and a straw yard for up to 20 cows.

Faced with the economics of milk production at the beginning of the millennium, David and Shirley Baynes and their sons Richard and Paul, opted to continue to pursue quality, not quantity, and add value to their milk with on-farm processing. After investment in a new dairy building and new equipment, including bulk tank storage, pasteuriser and bottling machine, Northumbrian Pedigree Milk and Cream was launched in May 2005 – the only on farm processor in Northumberland. We currently sell 50% of the milk production in bottles. Products include double, whipping and single cream, whole milk, semi-skimmed and skimmed milk. Paul took over the management of the processing side of the business leaving Richard to manage the dairy herd along with Lewis Short. David splits his time between the two sides of the business. The cows are fed a simple diet of grass silage, wholecrop wheat and brewers grains in winter with an 18% nut in the robots. They are grazed through the summer and buffer fed silage. The current herd average is 8,050 kgs, 3.95% bf, 3.35% p. Dairy Shorthorns: 7,790 kgs, 4.13% fat, 3.38% p Ayrshires.

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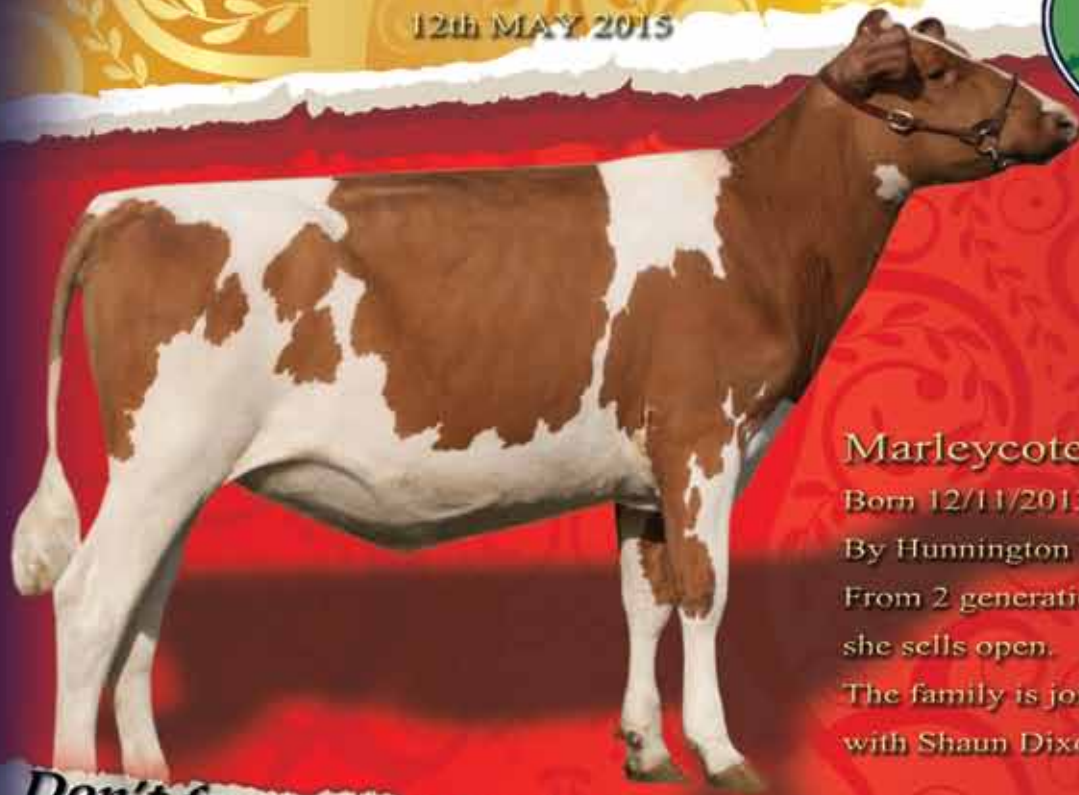
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Georgette 4

Selling at the AYRSHIRE CONFERENCE SALE

12th MAY 2015



Marleycote Georgette 4

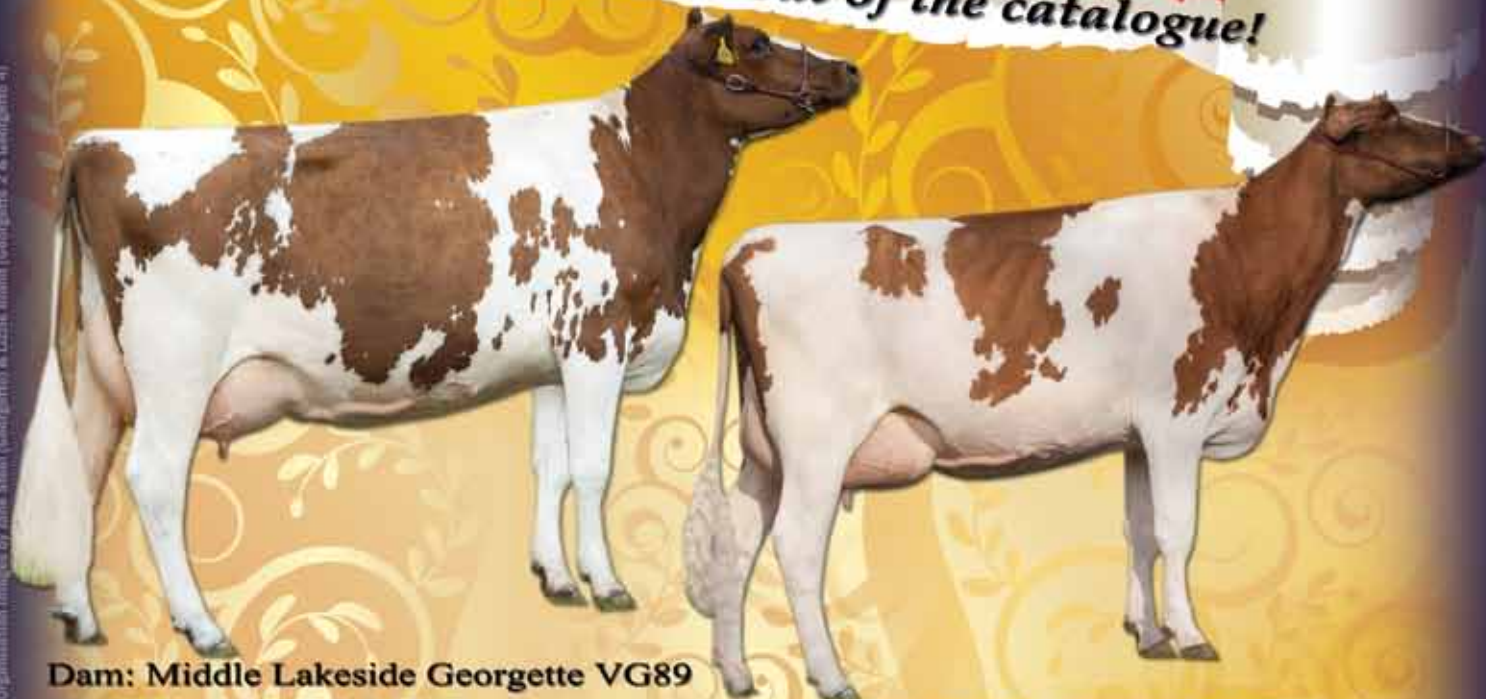
Born 12/11/2013

By Hunnington Mandella

From 2 generations of VG cows,
she sells open.

The family is jointly owned
with Shaun Dixon

Don't forget to tear this one out of the catalogue!



Dam: Middle Lakeside Georgette VG89

4th: 8753kg 3.93%F & 3.43%P

Now in her fifth giving 35kg/d

Daughter of Middle Georgette VG86

Sister: Marleycote Georgette 2 GP84

Calved January 2015 at 2 years 3 months

She is giving 40kg/d

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2015 Ayrshire Annual Conference Farm Visit

Middle Ayrshires



Ann & Willie



Photo by Sheila Metcalf

The Whiteford Family, Jack, Margaret and daughter Agnes, came to Middle Farm in May 1947 from Dumbuck Farm, Dumbarton, Scotland, with 99 cattle and one Clydesdale horse.

William and Thomas (twins), John and then Robert were born after the move to Middle Farm. Middle Farm is 370 acres, tenanted from 1947 until 1976. After the boys left school and were working on the farm, Middle Farm was purchased. Tercrosset Farm, West Hall, Brampton, was purchased in 1968 and became the young stock unit with bull beef and sheep. Robert left the business and the sheep flock was sold. Thomas also left the business, and he and son James now farm Tercrosset, and have extended the acreage, and have an 80 cow suckler herd and a 600 ewe Texel/Beltex flock.

Middle Farm is now a unit of 500 acres, including two blocks of rented land adjoining with buildings. 1968 saw a new byre built for 120 cattle plus a silage pit, 1977/78 saw a new five door cattle shed, silage pit, slurry system and a milking parlour built, then later a commodity shed, and extra young stock accommodation and another silage pit. 2014 saw more modifications, giving more cubicles and replacing the bull beef accommodation. The land at Middle Farm is almost all ploughable with the exception of some steep land which is in permanent grass. Arable crops are grown for home consumption i.e. wholecrop and grain. Fodder beet is bought in.

The cows ration is grass silage, wholecrop and fodder beet, fed as a TMR with a Keenan feeder wagon. Our calving pattern is all the year round with buffer feeding during the grazing season.

It is a family run unit (John, Willie & Stephen), with one regular employee (John Jefferson) who came to Middle Farm with his father when he was six years old 50+ years ago.

All our breeding is to a dairy bull. In 2001, the year of Foot & Mouth in our area, our AI flask went 'down' (we were very fortunate to have escaped foot and mouth), so we continued with our own stock bulls, by this time some of their bloodlines had an infusion of outside genetics, this is when we addressed the situation by calling our herd Whiteford's Red & Whites and Middle Ayrshires. To quote Clive Norbury, "The breeding programme is based on blending the best attributes of the Ayrshire and the Red & White Holsteins and through the use of mainly



Stephen, Sally, Connie and Scott

homebred bulls containing the blood of specially selected brood cows and sires, William and John have developed a cow which is distinctly unique, they have virtually developed their own breed".

The herd has been built on "blending" the strengths of the leading families in the herd, through sons of the herd's top cows and most of these bulls have come from Emerald, Mitzy, Oranje, and Jessie families also Jeans and Crummies. Working closely with the Howie family at Morwick, we share bloodlines such as Star Mitzy, Mollie and Mahogany. Three bulls which have done well in our blending programme are Morwick Lakeside King Red from the Sandie family, Morwick Solano Red (a Duncan Progress dam and a Sand Ranger son) and Morwick Sand Ranger who was used as a junior stock bull.

Our calves are reared on Shine Once-a-day milk powder, but fed twice a day until they are four weeks old, weaned and reared on a straw and concentrate diet. They are wintered away from home. Bulling heifers and in-calf heifers summer at grass, and wintered away in cubicles and fed silage. All bull calves are reared and finished as bull beef. We take in sheep during October to end of February, and our milk has always gone to the Lockerbie Creamery, now part of Arla.

We look forward to welcoming delegates in May.

M/s Whiteford

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Selling at this year's Conference Sale
 From the great Spottie family who hold the UK
 Ayrshire record sale price of 11,000 gns

Burnside

Spottie Adventure

Sired by Calderglen Avenger and due to calve before the sale.



Attwell Spottie 21 VG 85

Dam of Spottie Adventure

1.	30/08/10	7646	3.97	3.34
2.	24/11/11	8527	3.97	3.20
3.	03/09/12	8327	3.94	3.14
4.	23/03/14	10142	3.92	3.10



Half sister to: Spottie Adventure

**Cuthill Towers
 Special Spottie EX 90**

Sire: L. Ristourn / Dam: A. Spottie 21

1.	15/12/12	6324	4.07	3.05
2.	31/10/13	8544	4.24	3.14



Half sister to: Spottie Adventure

Burnside Spottie

Sire: H. Elegant / Dam: A. Spottie 21

Projected: 6227 4.34 3.58

Jointly owned by Burnside Ayrshires & Middle Ayrshires

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12th May is the date, and the clock is ticking

4 Grade A Embryos Go Up For Auction

At this year's conference sale out of the outstanding
Haresfoot Napier Punch EX 94
x Nexus Dreamer



Haresfoot Napier Punch EX 94 (2)

Sire: Ardmore Crown Napier

1. 7,419 kgs 4.10% bf 3.57% p
2. 8,442 kgs 4.34% bf 3.33% p
3. 8,877 kgs 4.45% bf 3.38% p

Dam of Gwynnog Primetime

Full sister to
Embryo Lots

Gwynnog Dreamer Punch

Classified VG 87 (2 yr) and
is already following in her
dam's footsteps

This is your opportunity
to buy into such
Fantastic Genetics!

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Gwynnog Ayrshires

2015

Conference Sale Preview

Incorporating Cattle Services Golden Tag Sale



Another year and another conference sale! Each year this event includes some exciting opportunities to invest into new families. In the past we have seen superb embryo lots, and live heifers, sell well and go on to do extremely well for their new owners. Many syndicates have been formed over the years which have gone on to blossom and grow further. The semen sale is always popular bringing "old favourites" back to the fore!

This year will be no exception.

The Cattle Services Golden Tag sale includes:

BONNIE BRAE HELIGO - This Canadian sire may have been born in 1985, but he still has so many qualities that we look for in today's breeding programmes.

CUTHILL TOWERS AUTUMN GOLD - His type proof says it all with positives throughout his linear chart. His daughters are tall with deep open ribs, walk on great legs and feet and carry high, wide rear udders with super strong ligaments.

RYECROFT RAJAH - Who transmits massive components of +0.15% fat and + 0.10% ptn, and is a superb cell count improver at -16.

ROUND BUSH COMMANDER - His fertility is superb with +7.3 and again is a sire who transmits positive fat and protein percentages with +0.01 and +0.06 respectively.

BROCKLEHILL BORDER SCOT - Is a result of breeding **BROCKLEHILL SENSATION EX** with **PANT BEVERLY EX**. He is maternal brother to Brocklehill Harvest Gold and Brocklehill Bank Book, and he has a full sister, the very popular Brocklehill Bronwyn.

If its embryos you are after then maybe one of these superb lots will interest you?



Rosehill Real Black Magenta VG 88

4 x Grade A ROSEHILL REAL BLACK MAGENTA VG88 2YR X KAMOURASKA ROCKSTAR : 100% AYR. : EXPORT QUALIFIED.

The resulting progeny from this package gives the potential of a 9th generation VG/EX and will be predicted to be high yielding with sound type and for all you PLI enthusiasts there will be a £PLI of 221.

5 X Grade A HEYDALE DREAM BRONARA X WHITECROFT FURTADO: 100% AYR.: EXPORT QUALIFIED - from eight generations

of Excellent. Production and quality is in this family in abundance. Sexed and conventional semen was used so surely this increases the chance of heifer calves as a result.



Dam of Dream Bronara - Heydale Brons Shady Elaine EX 90



Pam Ayrs Dream Hawaii EX 95

4 X Grade A PAM AYRS DREAM HAWAII EX95(3) X HAREFOOT PANACHE: 93.75% AYR. : EXPORT QUALIFIED. Dream Hawaii needs no introduction. A prolific show cow with consistently high yields of high quality milk and an extremely attractive fact sheet. Her £PLI is near the top of the table for the breed with a massive £PLI 350.

5 x Grade A HUNNINGTON FRAGRANCE 50 EX91(2) X HUNNINGTON MANDELLA : 93.75% AYR. : EXPORT QUALIFIED.

The Fragrance family from the Hunnington herd has to be at the top of

many breeders list as one of the best! Here we have the Blackadder BB Kellogg daughter Fragrance 50 as the dam. A long cow with a phenomenal rear udder!



Hunnington Fragrance 50 EX 91

4 X HARESFOOT NAPIER PUNCH EX94(2) X NEXUS DREAMER 87.5% AYR. : EXPORT QUALIFIED. Here we have a dam who is sired by the great Ardmore Crown Napier and out of the great Punch family who goes back to the Killoch herd. A full sister of this breeding is already on the ground and is milking, and to top it all she has scored VG87 as a 2 year old.



Haresfoot Napier Punch EX 94



Burnside Spottie Adventure

Also on offer this year is three live heifers - Burnside Spottie Adventure : 57.81% Ayr. Sire: Calderglen Avenger / Dam: Attwell Spottie 21 VG 85 Here we have a heifer that will be freshly calved at the time of the sale. From the great Spottie family, who, as you all know, holds that record

sale price in the UK of 11,000 gns. Her dam is the VG 85 Attwell Spottie 21, who has already bred an EX90 daughter in the Cuthill Towers herd.

Marleycote Georgette 4 : 62.5% Ayr. Sire: H. Mandella / Dam: Middle Lakeside Georgette VG 89

The Georgette family need no introduction as we see and hear of them in Northern England, both in the show ring and in production competitions. Here we have an exciting prospect, with a Hunnington Mandella daughter from this great family. The dam of Georgette 4 is again a superior producer of high quality milk with superb constituents, and has that evident type with a super classification score of VG 89.



Middle Lakeside Georgette VG 89



Middle Punchs Emerald Blend EX 95

Choice of three live heifer calves - 75% Ayr. Sandyford Real Punch ET, Reality Punch ET, Real Punchy ET Sire: P. Tri Star Reality / Dam: Middle Punchs Emerald Blend EX 95 6E

Not very often do we get the chance of an option to buy a choice of three heifers. Here we have three Reality daughters from a family with so much history behind it. There are not many breeders who will not recognise such a prolific family. The dam of these fine heifers, Middle Punchs Emerald Blend, is still going strong in her TENTH lactation and looking as youthful as ever.

Thanks must go to all consignors who support this elite sale of Ayrshire genetics. Videos of the live heifers for sale will be on view on our **Facebook page, and the website, nearer the time of the sale. Telephone bids will be welcome prior to the sale.**

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Cattle Services

News Update - Spring 2015 - By Edward Evans

Many of our readers will now be aware that 2015 marks the 50th anniversary of the formation of "Cattle Services". Word soon gets around, and customers should have received our latest sire update with its new '50 year' logo, as illustrated.

Although the actual launch date of the company was in the Autumn of 1965, we are delighted to make this a year round Celebration, to enable as many of our customers as possible to benefit from the offers and innovations we intend to introduce. **These will be announced from time to time on our website, and in publications, so please keep in touch.**

50 years is a very creditable lifespan for any business – certainly in the sphere of semen marketing. To our advantage, we have throughout this period enjoyed the support of the majority of Society members, who year after year have demonstrated their loyalty by making Cattle Services their first port of call when seeking semen. For our part, we will continue making every effort to provide the quality genetics to meet the challenges of these changing times, and customer requirements.

Our end of year accounts show another steady and successful year's trading. Semen sales, both domestic and export, were much in line with the previous few years. Exports to some countries are still hampered by Schmallemberg restrictions. Hopefully these will ease as more bulls testing negative for the virus come forward.

Once again, "**Napier**" headed our league table for proven sire sales. With more and more of his daughters coming in to milk both here in the UK, and around the world, his reputation for breeding sound, easy-care dairy cows with a willingness to milk from quality udders, continues to be enhanced. Other well supported proven sires include "**Prodigy**", "**Lord Winston**", "**Romeo**", "**First Quality**", "**Mandella**", and "**Admiral Glen**". Please note semen stocks from some of these are reducing rapidly.

Prospects for sales from our blended bulls (those less than 75% Ayrshire), have to be good. Led by "**Top Brass**", the quality and performance of our proven list is top quality. These, backed up by "**Halmyre Urr Lieutenant**", and the proving scheme graduate "**Tristan**" offer a most comprehensive choice for breeders seeking these genetics.



The main thrust of our sales through 2015 will, I am confident, come from young sires currently progressing through our proving programme - from the likes of "**Rambo**", "**Simply Perfect**", and "**Panache**", each with their first daughters now in milk, but will not be proven until later in the year. Also, the following group are full of quality and proven genetics: "**Hilltown Oblique**"; "**West Mossgiel Modern Reality**"; "**Stamford Witness**"; "**Willhome Challenger**"; and the three Rosehill bulls: "**Real McCoy**"; "**Vitality**"; and "**Manderville**". Each has real classy young stock - often drawn to my attention when on farm visits. The eldest of these should be calving later in the year, and with sexed semen available from some, I am confident they will figure prominently in our 2015 sales.

The seven young bulls introduced in to our proving programme in 2014 have been quite well supported. "**Furtado**", introduced in mid summer, was immediately popular – influenced, I am sure, by the fertility of the female line. The six offered in the autumn – "**Nickle**"; "**Skyfall**"; "**Rockstar**"; "**Prime Time**"; "**Stormin' Norman**" and "**Ryder**" have been described as the best group we have presented – certainly, they have the projections and quality genetics to back this up. "**Ryder**", imported from America, comes from six generations of naturally polled blood lines. This polled gene could have a growing importance in years to come, and we believe it is quite prudent to feed it in to our proving programme at this time. Semen from this group is still available at £10 per straw, offering very good value.

Hot Offers Details of our Hot Offers will be announced from time to time culminating at the end of the period with a £1000 Prize Draw. All customers who place an order for 50 straws will be entered into this fantastic prize draw.

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The signs that exports will figure in our total sales again this year are quite promising, with several enquiries to hand already. The quality of the progeny of our bulls in many countries, together with our breed's display at the livestock show last year, when representatives of the world federation attended, plus all the information now readily available by modern communications is certainly stimulating this. We just have to find the bulls with the production qualifications; health requirements; and at a price we do can do business at, for this to grow.

Work to improve our contact with customers continues through updating our website, more regular emails and the recently introduced texting service – if you are not receiving these please let the office know your email address and mobile number – we can then keep you up to date with the latest developments. We are also making changes to the way our semen is available to Members in Northern Ireland. There has been some dissatisfaction in the way this has operated over recent years – both in availability and costs. To address this, customers should now contact our office or me directly with their semen order or enquiry. Semen will be delivered by “Western Farm Enterprises” – hopefully within two weeks of ordering, and Cattle Services will invoice the customer direct, and at the same price as for the rest of the UK. For many years, N.I. has been a stronghold of the breed. For our part, we are determined to help this continue, by providing the service and genetics necessary. We are also

attempting to improve the availability of our semen in the south west of England through Mole Valley Farmers, who are including animal genetics in their portfolio. If all goes to plan, semen from a selection of our bulls will be available here. Further details of this will be available shortly.

The show season has now kicked off with the Dairy Expo at Carlisle – progeny of our sires were not that thick on the ground, but the ones there did their sires no harm at all. Our thanks to the owners for presenting them – our stand was very busy throughout the day on Saturday, which is how we like it to be. Our appreciation to all who paid us a visit – it makes all the efforts worthwhile.

We have stand space booked at the “Royal Highland”; “Livestock”, “South West Dairy Show”, “Welsh Dairy Show”, “Agriscot” and “Ulster”, where we hope many of you will pay us a visit, partake of our hospitality, and gather the latest information. We will also be in attendance at a number of other shows, to include the Royal Cornwall, where the stand this year is being covered by Cornwall Club members. We can also be found around the judging rings or in the cattle lines at “Cheshire”, “The Great Yorkshire”, and “Royal Welsh” where we look forward to meeting again at what we hope will be a successful show season for our breed and all involved.

THE LATEST NEWS

Cattle Services held their AGM yesterday (17th March), just a few days before this publication went to print. At this meeting, I expressed to our Chairman Alex Kirkpatrick, my co-directors, and those Society office holders present, my wish to retire as a director of Cattle Services, and also from all my responsibilities within the company, as of 31st December 2015.

This is in accordance with assurances previously sought and given for there to be a period of time between my decision to retire and the actual retirement date sufficient for the Directors to consider the future needs of the Company. The primary reason for my decision is simply the march of time – hopefully in future editions of the journal through the year, I will be able to expand on this and the 33 years I have spent in differing capacities within the Society. In the meantime, work proceeds as normal.

Edward

To keep up-to-date with what is on offer - keep checking our website
www.cattleservices.org

Stuart Williams



Stuart's Ayrshire Diary

Sitting down to write this isn't the easiest thing to do. I don't know what I want to write, let alone what you will all find interesting! Christmas arrived far too quickly last year, but on the farm we appeared to be prepared with a lot of deliveries the early part of Christmas week which took us through 'til the new year.

As a family the festive period is all about the children, but with me being the lowest branch of my part of the family tree I get more than my fair share, and it's fair to say that I made the most of the festivities by pursuing too many 'school nights out', but I survived and inevitably it will happen again!

Very soon after Christmas we had that dreaded time of our annual TB test, this seems to come around way too fast! Day one all went to plan, all stock were injected in plenty of time, but to add extra pressure the Ministry vet arrived to oversee the reading (she did turn up an hour early so my phone accidentally texted the vet with a tip off. Technology is amazing these days). Having said that of the 450 tested only 11 were measured, and with no reactors a celebratory weekend entailed! Following the Ministry vet leaving, our local vet informed us that she had gone for a job at our practice, and although she had most of the requirements the reason she didn't get the job was that she had no TB experience...ironically she was now checking his TB protocol!

Following this we were straight on to "dotting the i's and crossing the t's" as we had a farm audit. After a little time doing a spring clean the day arrived, and with a few minor adjustments, we passed quite easily. I guess Dad being a perfectionist helps as he likes to get everything in a folder, organised and ready to bombard the inspector with information.

Young farmers has been a major part of life since the age of ten and so, as well as my own farm work in January, its the time of the year for the annual entertainment competition. This year was pantomime, and along with another member I didn't only write it, but I ended up being the Dame...with three practices a week for the eight weeks before the competition. We got through the first round and just missed out on first place by one point. As you would expect a massive amount of team work goes into it and a celebratory party followed. Unfortunately, my stay was cut short as I took to the sky to Edinburgh, saw some real good cows including my super stylish, well grown Burdette Ping and sampled a few drinks to celebrate birthdays!



Soon after this I was asked to help in an educational day for our County show. This was a day called 'Where did my pancake come from?' It included me creating a display and teaching about 300 primary school children where milk comes from, and for them the best part was seeing a couple of calves and 'real' milking cows being milked. It was a great event and hopefully we showed children - and teachers - that milk doesn't 'come from a supermarket'!

Since the turn of the year I have established a new internet business called - **Red Ribbon Livestock Supplies.** This retails everything anybody needs for showing / selling most large animals using the website: www.redribbon-livestocksupplies.co.uk.

From halter breaking through to final touch ups to showing and selling stock. Products include **clippers, shampoos, halters** and various **spray** items, as well as husbandry products, i.e. calving **aids and health supplements.** It has taken off very well and I am very pleased with it so far and look forward to working with new customers. Until now advertising has been purely through social media, but I have now planned to be at various shows with either business cards or flyers and a stand at a couple. So as a little plug for it, I would love for everyone to look at the website and if there is anything I can help anyone with please ask.

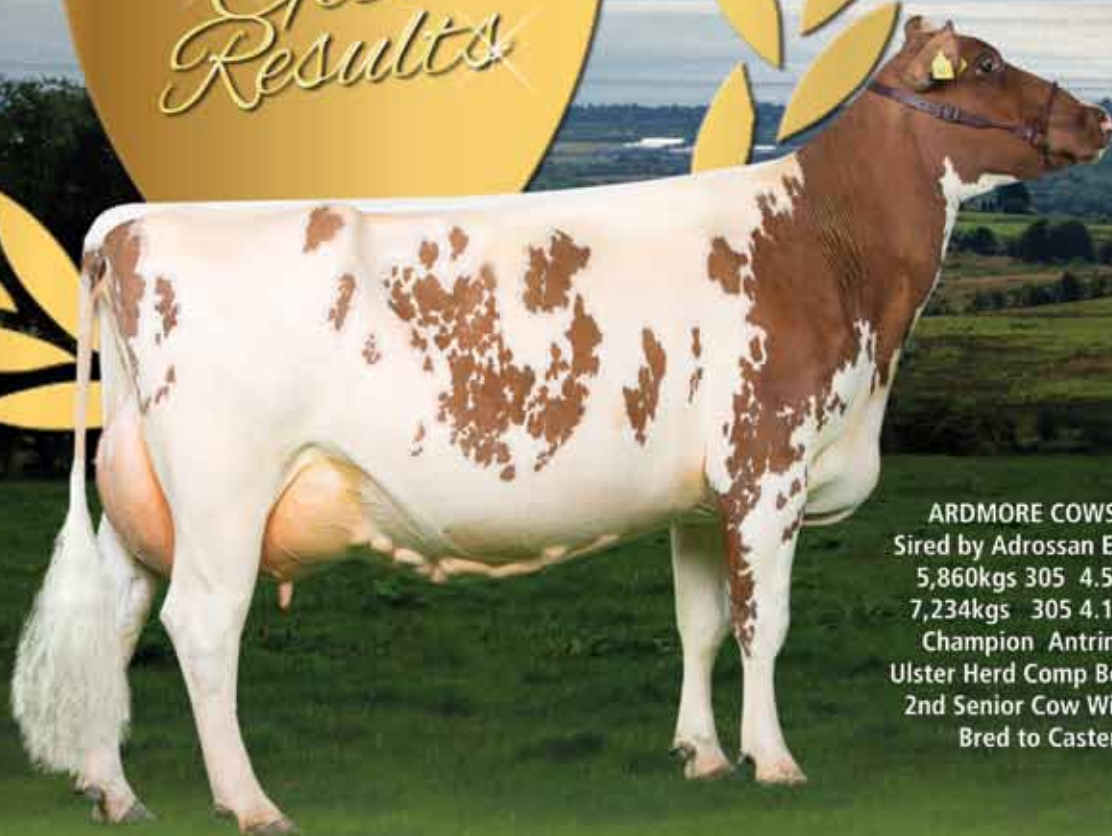
As I finish writing this, I am in Carlisle waiting for exhibitors to arrive at UK Dairy Expo. It promises to be a great show, and I look forward to seeing some great cows representing our breed, and all the exhibitors. However, as I have recently been announced as Pembrokeshire YFCs' senior member of the year on judging day I am representing the County at Wales level. This is a massive achievement, and having been a member of the movement since the age of ten it has been a massive honour.

Finally, I would like to thank people for their feedback since the last journal, and I hope some of the areas people highlighted have been successfully addressed. It has been great to have this communication and I urge anyone who has any ideas to please contact me.



ARDMORE

Gets Results



ARDMORE COWSLIP 91 EX91
Sired by Adrossan Ev Kates Trident
5,860kgs 305 4.53%F 3.45%P
7,234kgs 305 4.15%F 3.38%P
Champion Antrim Show 2013
Ulster Herd Comp Best Heifer 2012.
2nd Senior Cow Winter Fair 2014
Bred to Caster Tordado



ARDMORE DOROTHY 79 VG88
Sire: Ardmore Crown Napier
2nd Heifer in Milk and Best Udder Winter Fair 2014
Bred to De La Plane Prime



ARDMORE MIRANDA 2 VG88
Sire: Mapleburn Remington
8,208kgs 305 3.94%F 3.25%P
1st Junior Cow & Res Champion Winter Fair 2014
1st Heifer in Milk Winter Fair 2013.
Bred to Huntington Mandela

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Photographic Awards

Maiden Heifer



Rosehill Miss Pans Magenta
Sire: H. Panache / Owner: W R C & J E Christophers



Heifer in-milk

Highest voted CSA daughter



Hunnington Fragy 16
Sire: Hunnington Mandella / Owner: C & L Window



Holmeswood Ella
Sire: McCornick Nelson / Owner: A Rimmer



Allstar Real Joybell
Sire: P. Tri-Star Reality / Owner: E T Tomlinson & Son



Hunnington Monica 77
Sire: Hunnington Mandella / Owner C & L Window



Brieryside Pearlstone Swan
Sire: Brieryside Pearlstone / Owner: G Lawrie & Sons



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Junior Cow in-milk



Rhos Aber Reality
Sire: Palmyra Tri-Star Reality / Owner: S P R & L Reed

Inter. Cow in-milk



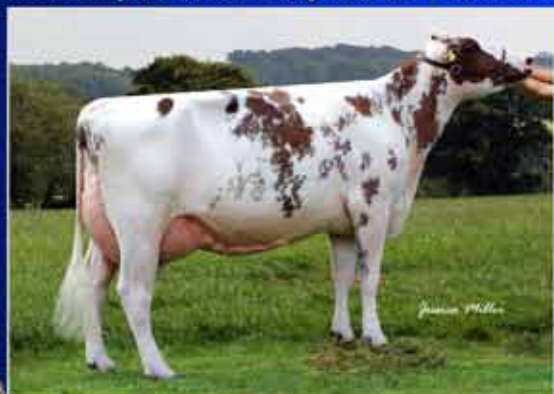
Cuthill Towers Miss Blondie 2
Sire: C. Towers White Knight / Owner: A & S Lawrie



Halmyre Urr Louise 260
Sire: Palmyra Tri-Star Reality / Owner: L Davidson & Sons



Hunnington Fragrance 55
Sire Castern Tornado / Owner: C & L Window



Sandyford Mayflower 14
Sire: M Remington / Owner: E T Tomlinson & Son



Sandyford Diamond 45
Sire: H. BBK Easlad / Owner: E T Tomlinson & Son

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Senior Cow in-milk



Champ.

Sandyford Clover 10
Sire: KC R. Chatter Red / Owner: E T Tomlinson & Son



Res.

Cuthill Towers White Patch 11
Sire: Lagace Modem / Owner: A & S Lawrie



H. Men.

Hunnington Monica 64
Sire: Hunnington Mandella / Owner: C & L Window

Red & White



Champ.

Dilandy Debonair Tabitha Red
Sire: S. Debonair Red / Owner: G Lawrie & Sons



Res.

Cuthill Towers Mystic Molly 7
Sire: Magy's Lustrum / Owner: A & S Lawrie



H. Men.

Swaites Mavis 6
Sire: Apina Curtis / Owner: J Adamson

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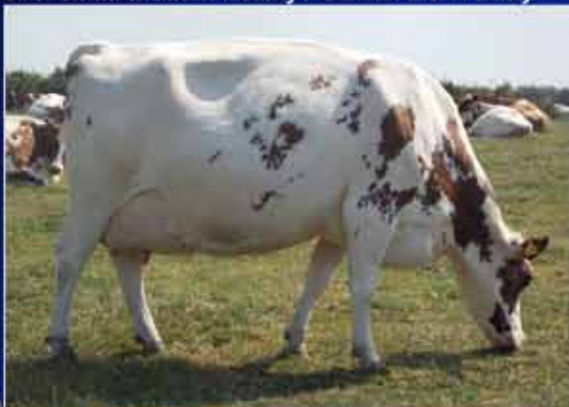


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Amateur



Willowfields Conceit 6
Sire: W. M. Modern Reality / Owner: L & H Batty



Rosehill Prickly Indiana
Sire: R Blackthorn / Owner: W R C & J E Christophers



Swaites Dewdrop 7
Sire: Swaites Magnus / Owner: J Adamson

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Ayrshire
Show 2015

The NEC, Birmingham
Wednesday 8 and Thursday 9 July

Written by Sian Mercer

We are pleased to welcome the inaugural National Ayrshire Show to the National Dairy Show, where we offer the best showing facilities in the country.

Judging will take place on the morning of both Wednesday 8 July and Thursday 9 July. Once again we are offering both exhibitors and cattle a first class environment with

- temperature controlled buildings
- nearby wash down area
- state of the art clipping area
- water on tap in the stall lines
- free show box lorry-to-stall drop off
- an enviable international showcase; in 2014 we welcomed guests from 22 different countries
- free stall places; a full refund will be made on the £50 entry fee on every stall occupied
- prestigious silverware and prize money

In response to visitor interest, we're also stepping up the presence of both dairy and beef in Hall 17 with two more national shows – for the Brown Swiss and the British Friesians, together with classes of Guernseys, Holsteins, Jerseys and Shorthorns. The British Charolais and British Blue Societies are returning together with the Aberdeen Angus Junior Championship, whilst the South Devon Herd Book Society will be launching its inaugural performance championship. The Lleyn Sheep Society will also be staging its second national competition.

Remember, you will have the chance to parade your entries to an anticipated audience of over 17,000 visitors, by far the largest attending any UK agricultural event this year. The National Ayrshire Show is being staged at the best equipped and most easily accessed venue in the UK. We also offer the best showing facilities for cattle in the country.

Finally, to help dairy farmers through the industry's extraordinarily difficult times, the Royal Association of British Dairy Farmers has agreed to provide every UK dairy farm with one complimentary ticket to the event, and the opportunity to purchase additional tickets for partners and herdsman at a favorably reduced rate.

For further details about entry forms please contact me on 0845 458 2711 or sianmercer@rabdf.co.uk

Yours sincerely

Sian Mercer
Livestock Event 2015 Livestock Co-ordinator



Added Value Ayrshires at Halmyre

Photos courtesy of Richard Hodgson and Shirley Findlay.

The Davidson family are adding value to the milk produced by the Halmyre Urr herd by the production of Glen Urr ice cream.

Diversifying was the alternative to increasing cow numbers for Keith and Jane Davidson. The 328-acre farm wouldn't support an increase in cow numbers, and so options were explored to increase turn over by adding value to the existing business.



Keith enjoys getting off the farm to serve ice cream and meet new people

Having explored different options, the decision was made to produce ice cream with the milk and cream produced by the prize-winning herd. This decision was aided by the fact that the molecular make up of Ayrshire milk lends itself to a smooth, creamy texture, explains Keith Davidson.

"It seemed an obvious decision to make, to make a high end product that increased the value of the milk we already produce. Jane manages the ice cream side of the business, which we launched in 2008 with ice cream sold at farmers markets and local events."

With no previous food technology experience, the Davidson family signed up with Farm House Ice Cream who provides recipes, backup and guarantee an area to market in.

Jane explains: "I wanted to make a product that I would be proud to sell, and something I thought there was a market for in the local area with two established ice cream producers within a 35 mile radius.

"We are not situated on a busy road with passing traffic, so an on farm shop was something we ruled out early on. In the summer of 2009 the opportunity came up to purchase The Toffee Shop in nearby Castle Douglas. Known regionally as the 'food town', Castle Douglas is a buzzing market town that attracts plenty of tourists throughout the year, and seemed an obvious location to have an outlet for the ice cream."

The Toffee Shop is a long established business that sells a large variety of old fashioned sweets, shortbread, boxed chocolates, toffee and fudge.

"Since we started the business it became apparent that many customers have intolerances so we have tried very hard to cater for everyone. Having sorbets offers a dairy and egg free option, we also have gluten free cones, as well as a selection of diabetic and free from chocolates and jars for weigh outs.

"The shop has 18 flavours of ice cream and seven sorbets for scooping in to cones or tubs, as well as half litre tubs to take home. It has been a successful move to have our own shop and has meant we can maximise on good spells of weather.

And although the shop business is strong, the business still takes a stand at local shows and events, which can prove successful - weather permitting. "We are increasing the number of stockists all the time with farm shops, hotels and restaurants regularly using our products on their menu. As well as making a wide variety of ice cream in to individual, half litre and catering tubs, we also make ice cream cakes which are growing in popularity," adds Jane.

"Additionally, we have an old fashioned ice cream cart which is popular at weddings and parties. Carrying six flavours it goes down well served alongside canapés, as a dessert or during the evening buffet."

In terms of manufacturing, the production of ice cream takes place in a specialised converted farm building which has temperature control, a walk in freezer, fridge and kitchen which is also rented out for a baking business. Batches of 10 litres are made at a time which allows unique flavours to be made for chefs to suit their menu.

Jane is often faced with somewhat different requests for specific flavours of ice cream ranging from lemon curd to even goat's cheese and crushed black pepper. "The lemon curd has been very successful and has even featured on a menu for HRH The Queen's private lunch at Dumfries. It's made using my Granny's old recipe for lemon curd which provides a homemade taste.

Equally, having compliments from a chef from Masterchef on our honeycomb ice cream, at the Ideal Home Show, has been a real boost for the endorsement side of the business.

But as Jane points out, it's not always the famous people that give the business a boost. "One summer in The Toffee Shop a family were ordering ice creams and a six year old girl wasn't having anything. Noticing her looking longingly in to the freezer I asked what she'd like, her Mum replied 'she can't have an ice cream, she is dairy and wheat intolerant'. Being able to offer her a fresh fruit sorbet and a gluten free



The Toffee Shop was taken on to have an outlet for the ice cream throughout the year



An old fashioned ice cream cart is used to serve ice cream at weddings and parties

cone was so rewarding, particularly when this was the first time she had managed to be the same as her siblings.”

But at the heart of this successful ice cream business is the Halmyre herd of Ayrshires, which has had a great deal of success in the show ring over recent years, which has raised the profile of the herd and ice cream. With numbers remaining static at the 200-cow mark and the large majority of the herd being served to the Ayrshire or Red and White bull, heifer numbers exceed replacement needs.

“I find a cow that has about 50% Ayrshire genetics works in our system, with extra heifers also to sell we find they suit pedigree and commercial buyers. In 2014 we sold 53 heifers through Carlisle and privately to average £1686.04,” explains Keith.

“Having a strong, regular market for surplus heifers is an extra income for the business, we find that repeat customers are regularly coming back.” The herd averages 8398 kg at 4.16% bf and 3.34% p with a calving interval of 397 on a TMR ration of grass silage, straw, vitagold, dairy meal, megalac, molasses and minerals, as well as being topped up in the parlour. During the summer, low yielders are turned out in April and high yielders go out after first cut.

“Only a small proportion of the milk produced is used to make ice cream, the majority of our milk is sold to Grahams Dairies at Stirling.”

There are a few key families in the Halmyre herd, including Louise and Floralin, that have been prominent in the show ring latterly. Both are long established families in the herd and are breeding balanced, productive daughters. Females have been purchased at dispersal and collective sales to try to start new families, including Emily, Joanna, Karma, Scorpio and Sand Queen.

“I like deep pedigrees and correct cattle, it has been exciting adding new blood lines to the herd and we look forward to developing them,” explains Keith.

“We’ve tried flushing with no real success so sexed semen is used on the better cows if they are cycling well. Current AI sires are Kamouraska



A vast variety of flavours of ice cream and sorbets are made at Halmyre

Rockstar, Hunnington Mandella, Palmyra Tri-Star Burdette, De La Plaine Prime, Haresfoot Simply Perfek, Rosehill Vitality and Ravenhill Stormin’ Norman, as well as Halmyre Urr Lieutenant and Halmyre Urr Hunters Joe to sweep up, and Ardmore Optimus is running with heifers.

Lieutenant is an Attwell Admiral son, out of the EX94 Halmyre Urr Louise 175 who was successfully shown as a calf and unbeaten as a second calver, and is being marketed through Cattle Services (Ayr). The other stock bull, Halmyre Urr Hunters Joe, is a Haresfoot Brazen son out of Muirston Joanna 20 VG86, a McCornick Nelson daughter that was purchased as a heifer.

Junior stock bull Ardmore Optimus was purchased in 2013 from John Hunter. Sired by Mapleburn Remington he is out of the Morwick Sand Ranger Red daughter Ardmore Orphan 95 EX 93.

In the summer of 2014 neighbouring land was purchased to allow heifers to be summered closer to home and allow extra silage to be taken. “Farming in an area where herd numbers are rapidly increasing means there aren’t many options to get extra land. The chance to purchase 70 acres privately one mile from Halmyre itself was an ideal opportunity that couldn’t be missed,” explains Keith.

Meanwhile the project for 2015 is the installation of a biomass boiler, to provide hot water for the parlour and dairy and heating for the three houses on the farm.



CIS Launches One-Stop Shop

Service for Ayrshire Members

Photo by Richard Hodgson



Ayrshire Cattle Society members will benefit from a new Ayrshire Complete Package, offering services including milk recording, pedigree registrations and type classification for one fixed monthly price from 1st April 2015.

The Ayrshire Complete Package has been developed by leading milk recording provider The Cattle Information Service (CIS), designed to help breeders manage their herds more proactively for a fixed monthly fee. For as little as £1.30* a cow a month the package offers breeders a range of services including milk recording, registrations and type classification, with the service charged on a per cow per month basis, but not including male registrations.

“Combining milk recording with pedigree services, the Complete Package is designed to improve herd profitability by making record-keeping easier and more economical for Ayrshire breeders. The service includes six services and allows 24-hour access to all information online. Breeders will be able to register cattle by phone and online, with event recording also available online enabling advisors and vets to access the information within the same monthly charge”, explains CIS director Sue Cope.

“Ayrshire Complete begins by gathering information on farm through either self or assisted CIS milk recording /sample collection, registrations

of animals via phone or online and organisation of regular classification visits or two planned visits a year.

“All of this information is then entered into the Centre for Dairy Information (CDI) database and the British Cattle Movement Service (BCMS) are also notified of relevant data via an automatic link while individual herd records are updated,” explains Ms Cope.

“Once all automatic updates have taken place, a detailed herd report is available through the dedicated website pages. From there, members can choose between downloading their data or they can opt for a data disc option which is fully compatible across all systems.

“Records available from the reports can then be analysed along with action lists which are produced by managers and authorised by advisers. Additionally, the Complete Package helps breeders meet all statutory, farm assurance and management needs. Alongside this report all cattle passports are sent directly from BCMS to the breeder and movement records are fully updated,” she adds.

The Ayrshire Complete service allows a one stop shop to aid breeders with their record keeping and will help increase productivity; decrease costs and increase profitability. *Based on 180 cow herd.

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Meet The Judge

Ayrshire Photo by Richard Hodgson

of the UK National Ayrshire Show

Iwan Thomas



The first "official" National Ayrshire show takes place at the Livestock Event at the NEC on Wednesday 8th July. Duncan Hunter interviews our master judge for the occasion.

So Iwan, tell me where you are from and a little about yourself?

I now live in Pontardulais, with my wife Kay. Our house is some four miles from my parents farm in Llangennech near Llanelli, close enough so I can give a hand when I've got spare time! I'm well known to be nuts about cows, and have been since I was very young and went on holidays to my Aunt and Uncle's dairy farm. We then started dairying in 1994 ourselves. I have for three years worked as a classifier, a job that has really improved my geography of the UK!

When did you first get involved with Ayrshires? 1999. By accident really, we were in need of some milk, and went to the Teifi dispersal sale at Carmarthen Mart, we missed the older cows, so Mum and Dad bought us an in calf heifer each, Butterscotch and Honey. The rest, as they say, is history!

You work as a Classifier for CDI classifying several breeds, including Ayrshires, all over the country. What stands out to you most, that is positive to our breed? The breed has many great attributes, the greatest positives have to be their tremendous will to live, and hunger, the Ayrshire cow has the ability to forage like no other! Everybody knows how fantastic Ayrshire udders are, and in recent years their udder texture has also improved allowing for greater production. Also they're longevity is something I can testify to first hand, our original pair lasted to 7 and 10 calves respectively!

You are taking on the great task of judging, what is officially our first National Show. What are you're immediate thoughts on this appointment? My first thought was WOW! And then 'what a birthday present', as it will be my birthday on day one of the show! Once those thoughts had passed all I could think was how great an honour it was to be invited to officiate such a prestigious event, knowing the phenomenal entry that was forward last year.

In order for those who don't know you so well to understand who you really are, I'm going to ask you some bizarre questions!

What do you like to do in your spare time? Help at my parent's farm, travelling, reading, going out for food, watching rugby.

What is your favourite food? Easy! Steak and chips!

Least favourite food? Again, easy, mushrooms!

Name your best film? I like loads of different sorts of films, from Back to the Future to Shawshank, but I do really like the Die Hard movies!

What sort of music do you enjoy and what artists or bands particularly to you listen to? Again, anything and everything. Probably the Killers and Ed Sheeran would be the main ones!

What is your funniest childhood memory? My sister used to ride her bike down from the house to the milking parlour, but every night would walk back, leaving me to cycle the damn bike back up the hill!

If you were to host three famous people at a dinner party who would they be and why? David Jason – He'd be an interesting bloke to listen to! Prince Philip – I think he'd be an entertaining guest! Boris Johnson – He's nuts!

What's the most trouble you have ever got yourself into? Had to go to court for having too many points on my driving licence!

What is your favourite tippie? (Just in case you do a great job at the show and our breeders decide to buy you a drink) Would have to be vodka, lime and lemonade.

What is your most embarrassing moment? Walking through Swansea dressed as a fairy at 3 pm! It was my stag do!

Where is your favourite place in the whole world and why? Having just visited there earlier this year, I would say Fiji. It's a beautiful place and the people are amazing.

If you were stranded on a desert island what three items would you like to have with you and for what reasons? A pillow - I can sleep without a blanket, but I have to have a pillow! A book - to keep me occupied. My Wife - to cook!

What was the last lie you told? (Don't worry I won't tell anyone) I'm a bad liar, and unless you're good at something don't do it!

If you could wake up tomorrow in the body of anyone on earth, who would it be and what would you do? Richard Branson. I'd transfer some of his money (maybe even all of it!) into my bank account!

Who is your hero? Ray Gravell

Rugby or football? Rugby

Pizza or McDonalds? Pizza

Coffee or tea? Tea

Are you afraid of anything? Rats

If you were to be granted three wishes what would they be? Wales to win the Rugby World Cup, milk price to double and a cure for Cancer.

What would you do first if you were to win the lottery? I'd love to say something sensible, but I'd probably buy a farm!

Describe yourself in three words? Enthusiastic, committed and competitive!

Iwan, thank you and we all wish you luck and hope you have an enjoyable day in July.

It's Show Time!

by Stuart Williams
and James Lawrie

It's that time of the year again when we start to think about what calves we are planning on showing this year. You probably already have your favourites so selecting the right calf is very much a personal preference. Here's some tips to help you...

Halter Breaking

Depending on the temperament of the animal this can either be the easiest or hardest part. Catch the heifer and tie her up, she will at some stage move and pull to try and free herself, but once she's realised the halter is in charge of her movement she will soon stand still. She would be best tied up for a few days in a row for a couple of hours, and only when she reacts to you pulling the halter should you try and walk her (otherwise she may take off or be very stubborn and remember your safety is very important). Once she reacts to the halter then it really is just a matter of practice. Slowing down, speeding up and stopping should all come quite easy once she reacts to the halter. Never wrap the halter around your hand, and always think before placing your hand inside the halter, as if she got spooked the rope would tighten around your hand, also the more practice you can do at home the better once at the show. Try not to just train in a large open space; try leading through small places, past a radio and with people around, this just gives you and the heifer some experience of the different atmospheres you may encounter at the show.

Washing

This is one of the best ways to relax your heifer. To build trust in each other it's suggested to use a bucket and brush.

Remember your safety, ensure that you and she knows your next movement.

Use whichever shampoo you want, everyone has their favourites. To get a cleaner wash you may consider using warm water and it's suggested you start at the top and work your way down. Once you have soaped her, ensure that the rinse is thorough leaving no suds as this can irritate the skin, if any is left, bubbles can be usually be found under the belly or through the top line. Ideally washing would take place a few times before clipping as this improves the hair texture, and makes work easier at clipping.

For ease when working with the topline, brush the hair down with the direction of growth, this will speed up the drying process and place the hair tidy for blowing it up.

Clipping

Everyone has different clipping abilities and varying equipment. The basics of this are to get all the required hair off by working against the way that the hair is growing. It's advisable to start somewhere the heifer can't kick or be a danger to you.

A few tips are:

- > Leave 2 hand widths from the tail end- this will give a good tail bush without being too much.
- > If possible clip the legs and head with a tighter blade than the body, to add more quality to the bone.
- > If your leaving hair on the calf (belly/behind the shoulders, make sure it's blended well by ensuring the hair is standing up and then holding the blade away from the skin), doing this will improve with experience, however if a calf is deep enough, don't leave it on just because others are.
- > Clip the tail and ears using the tightest blade you have, this adds that extra refinement and makes the calf look sharper and more dairy.
- > Remember, safety is paramount.

Topline

These will always improve with experience and everyone does them different. When preparing to top take a look at you calf walking and identify any areas of weakness. Once ready, tie the calf's head up in its show position with its legs standing square (not stretched or tucked up).

- > using a narrow nozzled hair dryer on a medium heat blow the hair against the growth, using a heat proof brush across the top line (too much heat and blowing into the skin can add irritation to the calf and adds the risk of her fidgeting).
- > Once the hair is standing vertically (very good washing will help this) identify the high and low sections of the spine and use your clippers to get a straight line from the neck to the tail head. Step back and look at what you have just done before moving on.
- > To shape the sides of the top hold the bottom edge of the blade against the skin of the calf and then using your spare hand guide the top edge along the centre of your now straight top.

- > Repeat this blowing up and trimming the edges until you're happy.
- > Remember no calf is the same; twists can be in different places as can hair quality and bone quality.
- > If your calf is thicker set then you can leave more width at the base of the top, but if it's narrower than average a thick base would look silly. You want the top to enhance and blend with the calf.
- > Once you're happy with it standing and the shape add some adhesive to hold the top in place.

To speed this up, add some heat using the hair dryer from a distance to speed up the setting process, this will usually turn the adhesive white so ensure you have a colour to blend it to the calf's colourings.

- > If the calf is a little thin of hair apply a few layers of adhesive to make it look fuller, then once coloured it will appear more natural.
- > Check the quality of the top, and using either scissors or small clippers get any random hairs that have been missed.

Finally

Walk your heifer to ensure the top remains level whilst she's moving, as some calves can arch their backs or dip behind the shoulder or loin on the move.

Final preparation

- > Making sure the calf is clean and tidy is important, using a brush or cloth is ideal (including hoofs and inside of the ears).
- > Fluff the tail up, and you can use a little oil or the like to add that extra shine to the body.
- > Halters need to fit well, with the nose strap midway between the eyes and muzzle, and ensure the shank clip is pointing away from the calf otherwise she may get irritated.

The main thing of all that has been said is to ensure your safety and, most importantly, have fun!

Good luck!



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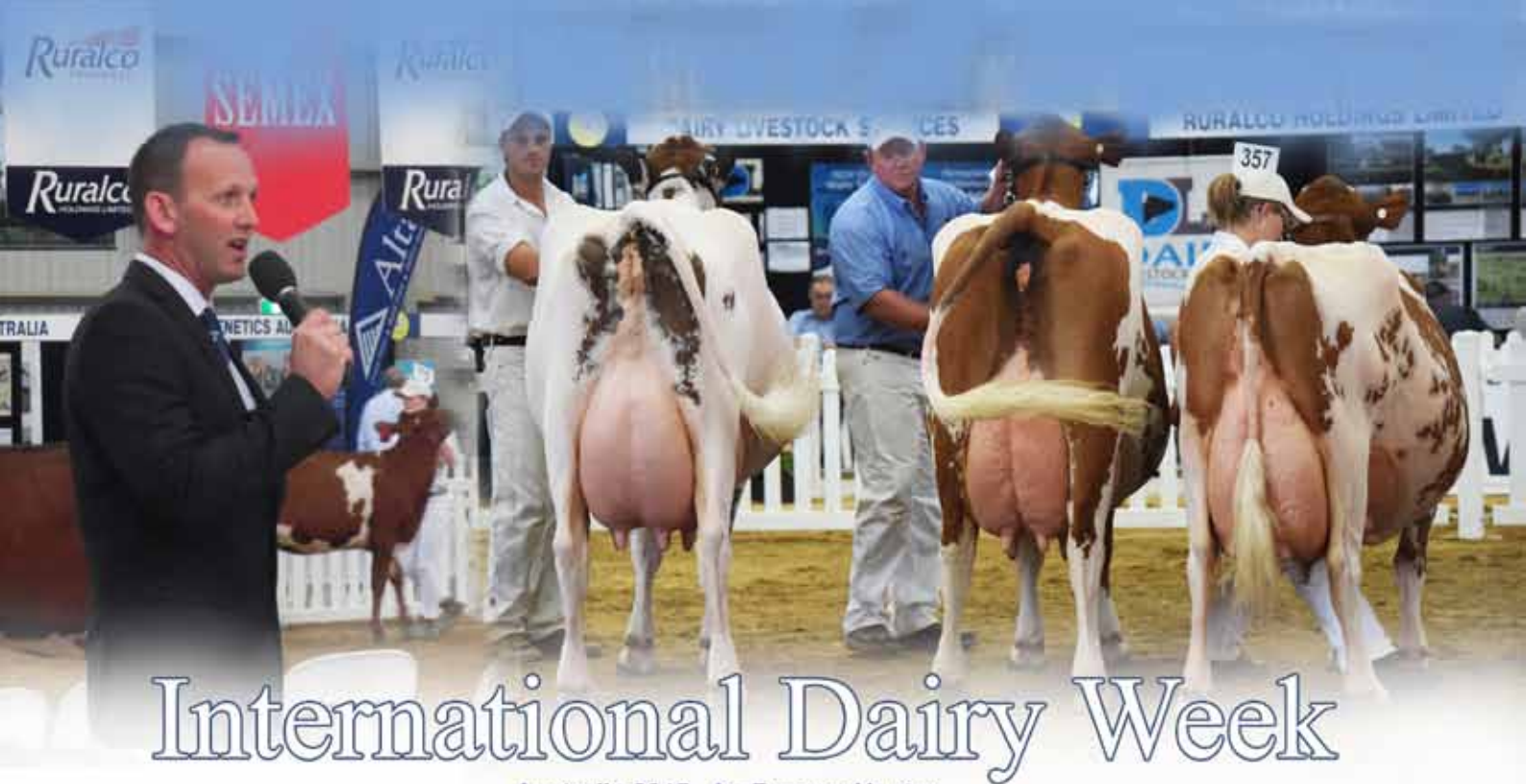
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Australia 2015 - by Duncan Hunter

In January 2015 I travelled the 10,497 miles to Melbourne, Australia with my wife, Sarah, to attend the International Dairy Week (IDW) where I had been asked to judge the Ayrshire breed at this prestigious event. We had a few days to first do a little sightseeing, and acclimatise to the heat and sunshine, where we drove the Great Ocean Road, which was spectacular, before heading to the stunning Grampian Mountains for a quick visit.

The show was held at Tatura, near Shepparton, which is two hours north of Melbourne. We arrived at our hotel on the Sunday in time to be met by Michael and Leanne Hentschke, who were taking us to a social Bar-B-Q with the breeders. This was a special occasion as, for the first time in over 30 years, the two Ayrshire breeders associations of Australia have come together as one (as of 1st January) and this was the first function of togetherness. It was great to meet new people and also meet up again with the likes of Ben Hentschke, Greg and Tracey Edmonds and Sam Gordon who have all visited the UK.

Tuesday soon came around and with an early start of 8am to judge the 130 Ayrshires forward. The junior section was first, and I found all of these classes an absolute pleasure to judge. Each class was full of quality heifers. I didn't really know what to expect from the Australian Ayrshires as I had never seen them before, but I can assure you they were great, full of the qualities the breed is known for, with so much balance. My junior championship line-up really made me happy to see a similar type of class winner from all five classes in this section. My champion was Hurlstone Mable Twilight from Hurlstone Agricultural High School in New South Wales. Sired by the Australian sire Mayfield Farm Reality Rosytoon, this heifer was full of quality who could compete at the top of the line anywhere around the world. In reserve was Katandra Farms Burdette Two-Didj, a stunning young Burdette daughter of the same stamp as my champion.

The Intermediate classes were also a pleasure to judge. Great bone quality and well attached udders were what really stood out. It was

Paschendaele P.R Blossom, sired by Palmyra Poker Riggins, a two year old with tremendous stature and length and dairy quality from nose to tail, who took the Intermediate Championship. This family seem to be one of the best in Australia.

The senior classes started with the four year olds. Here we had a Wroughton Lord Winston daughter, Woodburn Park Ginny, from Todd Biffin winning. This young cow ended up as my Honourable Mention of the senior section and best udder of show. The five year olds came in with some super individuals, followed by the senior cow class. It was an absolute delight to see so many aged cows still in great form. My top three had all had seven calves, and of the rest one was in her ninth lactation and the others had each had five calves, fantastic. The Champion and Reserve both came from this class; the champion being Encore Pardner Didjago, from G Bawden and R Burgmann, and the reserve was Boldview Far Knightstar from Boldview Farms. Well done to all exhibitors.

There were over 1000 dairy cows in total and all breeds were of the highest quality. The interbreed on the last day was a great spectacle. All six judges placed for the championship and it was the Illawarra who took the honours, the first time for their breed.

Unfortunately I only had time for one herd visit, to the local Rockvale herd of Max Hyland, but what a great herd it is. This is one of the best herds I have had the pleasure of seeing, dairy cows with great udders and many great individuals.

A huge thank you must go to IDW for inviting us, and for all of the hospitality over the five days. A super, well run show which you should be commended for. Also to all of the Ayrshire breeders of Australia for their kindness, friendship and hospitality. It just confirms my philosophy that Ayrshire breeders from whatever corner of the world they come from are one of a kind. Great cows, great people!

Thank you Australia.

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Champion - Marleycote Sea Lily 14 EX 93

Res. Champion - Ardmore Miranda 2 VG 88

Hon. Mention - Cuthill Towers Rambo Rusty VG 87

Heifer Champion - Cuthill Towers Rambo Rusty VG 87

Res. Heifer Champion - Ardmore Dorothy 79

Junior Champion - Threemile Pam

Res. Junior Champion - Priestland Prime Pamela

Maiden Heifer

1-Threemile Pam (Rosehill Slightly Magic) - C Keenan

2-Priestland Prime Pamela (De La Plaine Prime) - M/s Cromie & McLean

3-Beechmount Punch (Haresfoot Panache) - R & C McConnell

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Cow in-Calf

1-Atley Hill Yellow Pamela VG 89 (Y. B. Journalist) - M/s Cromie & McLean

2-Fortfield Crystal 41 EX 93 (Cuthill Towers Mr Scot) - R Stewart

3-Ardmore Orphan 95 EX 93 (Morwick Sand Ranger Red) - J Hunter

Heifer in-Milk

1-Cuthill Towers Rambo Rusty VG 87 (Cuthill Towers Rambo) - C Keenan

2-Ardmore Dorothy 79 (Ardmore Crown Napier) - J Hunter

3-Ravenhill Ethel 539 (Kellcrest Showstar) - J Suffern

Junior Cow in-Milk

1-Ardmore Miranda 2 VG 88 (Mapleburn Remington) - J Hunter

2-Denamona Gold Jill 2 (Ravenhill Olympic Gold) - A Irwin

3-Ravenhill Queen 201 (Rosehill Blackthorn) - J Suffern

Senior Cow in-Milk

1-Marleycote Sea Lily 14 EX 93 (D P Potter) - M/s Cromie & McLean

2-Ardmore Cowslip 91 VG 88 (Ardrossan EV Kate's Trident) - J Hunter

3-Knockenjig Ice Cream 24 EX 91 (B Schiehallion) - R & C McConnell

Dairy Expo 2015

The first major dairy show for 2015, the UK Dairy Expo, took place at the Borderway Mart in Carlisle. Again a great display from our Ayrshire breeders was put in front of the Canadian judge, Barclay Phoenix. The junior classes were few in entries, but had great qualities. The champion in this section was the yearling **Sandyford LR Bunty**, exhibited and owned by Andrew Rimmer from Lancashire.

In the milking section the first class forward was the two year old in milk. Barclay Phoenix wasted no time in pulling in his winner, the 27 month old **Heydale Winsome 147** sired by Palmyra Tri Star Burdette, from Peter Berresford. This fresh heifer was given the advantage for her cleanness throughout and superior bone quality over another Burdette daughter, from the Mattinson family, **Troutbeck Burdette Jess 3**. Best udder in this class went to the third placed **Sandyford Dreamy Bella** from Blaise Tomlinson.

The three year olds saw yet another Burdette daughter taking first place. Richard Baynes with **Marleycote Brown Nell 20** took the win, ahead of **Sandyford Reality Florrie**, for her mammary correctness and depth of body. Brown Nell 20 also took best udder.

The four year olds were again a great advert for the breed. The regular visitor to this show, **Cuthill Towers Radar Ray 13** - recently scored EX 93, was a popular choice to take the win and the best udder award. Owned by Arthur and Susan Lawrie, and sired by Hunnington Mandella, Ray 13 was given an advantage for her overall dairyness and silky skin texture throughout over the very balanced **Sanderson George Evergreen 310** from David and Christine Sanderson.



Loukat Lucky EX 94



Marleycote Brown Nell 20 VG 88

The senior cow seemed to be placed before all of the cows were in the ring, as judge Barclay Phoenix seemed to be on a mission! The 2013 Livestock show champion, **Loukat Lucky EX 94**, from Richard Bown was pulled into first place ahead of **Marleycote Sea Lily 14** from the Mclean and Cromie families, who had made the long trip from Northern Ireland. Lucky was given the advantage for her cleanness of bone and superior udder qualities. Lucky also took the best udder award.

We certainly had three great cows in contention for the big prizes and Champion of the day went to **Loukat Lucky**, Reserve Champion was **Marleycote Brown Nell 20** and Honourable Mention was **Cuthill Towers Radar Ray 13**.

Red & Whites

This section is open to all red and whites and a small representation were put forward from our Red herd book. The Howie family from Morwick, the Mattinsons from Cumbria and the Lawrie family from Kinross all supported this section, and were placed well in each class. All of the winners were from the Red and White Holsteins. Well done to all exhibitors for flying the flag in both the Ayrshire classes and the Red and White classes.

Ayrshire Champion & Best Udder - Loukat Lucky EX 94

Reserve Champion - Marleycote Brown Nell 20 VG 88

Hon. Mention - Cuthill Towers Radar Ray 13 EX 93

Ayrshire Heifer Show

Champion - Sandyford LR Bunty

Reserve - Glenmuir Glencairn Jaunita

Maiden Heifer

1-Sandyford LR Bunty (Lagace Ristourn) - A Rimmer

2-Sandyford Star Clover 3 (Palmyra Tri-Star Burdette) - A Rimmer

3-Muir Lochinvar Dewberry (Libby's Lochinvar) - W & A Watson

Heifer in-calf

1-Glenmuir Glencairn Jaunita (Ardmore Crown Napier) - A Struthers

2-Holmeswood Ella (McCormick Nelson) - A Rimmer

Two year Old

1-Heydale Winsome 147 (P. Tri-Star Burdette) - D W Berresford & Son

2-Troutbeck Burdette Jess 3 (P. T. Burdette) - F J & M Mattinson & Son

3-Sandyford Dreamy Bella VG 87 (N. Dreamer) - E T Tomlinson & Son

Three Year Old

1-Marleycote Brown Nell 20 VG 88 (P. T. Burdette) - G G Baynes & Son

2-Sandyford Reality Florrie VG 88 (P. T. Reality) - E T Tomlinson & Son

3-Cuthill Towers Radar Ray 16 VG 87 (Lagace Ristourn) - A & S Lawrie

Four Year Old

1-Cuthill Towers Radar Ray 13 EX 93 (H. Mandella) - A & S Lawrie

2-Sanderson George Evergreen 310 (S. George) - D & C Sanderson

3-Troutbeck Star Obstinate VG 87 (Ayr-Phoe Ideostar) -

F J & M Mattinson & Son

Senior Cow

1-Loukat Lucky EX 94 (Ardrossan EV Kate's Trident) - R A Bown

2-Marleycote Sea Lily 14 EX 93 (D. P. Potter) - M/s Cromie & McLean

3-Cuthill Towers Daisy 3 VG 86 (Des Prairies Potter) - A & S Lawrie

Red & White Class

Two Year Old

3-Morwick Merissa 4 (Delta Lilac) - D A Howie & Sons

Three Year Old

2-Morwick Peggy 96 VG 87 (Morwick Mentor) - D A Howie & Sons

Senior Cow

3-Cuthill Towers Classic Ellie VG 85 (Poos Stadel Classic) - A & S Lawrie

Wigton

Herd Keeps Lifting Targets

Article and photo by Karen Wright



Christine and David Sanderson

The bar is always being raised for the Sanderson's Ayrshire herd from Thackthwaite Hall, Maton, Wigton. "You increase yield one year, or reduce the calving interval, and that sets a new level – we always feel we can keep doing that bit better," says Christine, who runs the herd with husband David.

NMR data for the 180-cow herd is currently 7162 kgs of milk at 3.84% fat and 3.45% protein on twice a day milking. "We have increased cow numbers since we restocked after foot and mouth in 2001," adds Christine. "We're up to capacity now. Our aim is to get a bit more milk from the cows and improve constituent values."

Milk is sold for cheese so constituent values are important and the Ayrshire cows are ideal for this. "We do well through winter - the cows are fed on a semi-complete diet of grass silage with a blend and brewers grains, formulated by nutritionist Ian Wozencroft, of New Breed UK. They are topped up in the parlour to a maximum of 10 kgs and 45 litres of milk.

"We aim to turn the cows out in April and this can result in a drop in fat so we are working on modifying the diet to try and prevent this."

Tempting though it is to keep cows in all year, Christine and David want to combine herd performance with maximising the potential of their farm and its natural resources. Thackthwaite Hall is an 84ha grassland farm 600 feet above sea level, and produces two cuts of silage as well as grazing for the milking herd and youngstock.

"I like to see the cows outdoors in summer and it also means we can clean out the buildings and catch up on maintenance. I know we'd get higher yields if cows were housed all year, but I think you need a purpose-built unit to do this and we don't have that luxury," she adds.

Milking duties are shared at Thackthwaite Hall between David and Christine and their son in law. Christine's sister feeds the calves daily and David is responsible for feeding the cows.

Christine is particularly interested in the breeding side of the business. This all year round calving herd is sired by some AI bulls and also their

own bulls. All cows are bred pure and replacements come from their own youngstock. Promising young bulls are sold. "But only if they are good enough and I would use them myself," she says, adding that she does this to make sure she protects the herd's reputation.

"I like nice cows and I will go for type over production," admits Christine, who adds that as David likes showing the cattle, she feels she is obliged to provide good show ring type! "It's a balance – I select the sires carefully and look for bulls that can produce cows with good type and the potential to milk."

Whilst Christine used to avoid being 'distracted' by the PLI index, she typically finds that a lot of the good bulls in her opinion have good PLIs. "I am looking carefully at this index now and I have bought a young bull, Sandyford Rocket from Blaise Tomlinson's Leicestershire herd, with a high PLI. We have another high PLI young bull, Troutbeck Skyfall from the Mattinson's herd, Cumbria, so I am hoping to see our herd average PLI index increase in the next few years."

Also on the 'hit list' of targets is calving index. Currently at 400 days, the Sandersons would like to see it nearer to 370 days. "We are trying pedometers to help pick up heats and hopefully the higher PLI sires will improve fertility rates. We work closely with Wigton's Belle Vue vets to pick up any problems as early as possible."

Fortnightly visits from the vet and reference to their NMR reports also helps keep somatic cell counts on track. "These are on a downward trend and we want to get well under 200,000 cells/ml. In the three 'difficult' months from December to February we only had three mastitis cases. We would like to see less of course, and I think the high proportion of heifers in the herd - 80 out of 180 cows - should help bring levels down."

Despite constantly looking to improve, the Sandersons do enjoy the glory. The herd has been a frequent winner of the large herds section of the Cumberland Ayrshire Breeders' Club and in 2014 they were runners-up in the Ayrshire herd production class ranked on weight of fat and protein production. They are often in final line up at local shows too.

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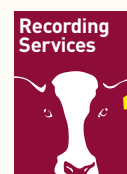
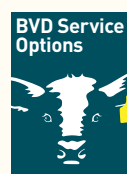
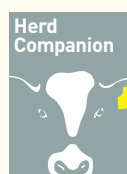
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Ardmore	W J G Hunter	Ardmore Cowslip 91	Ardrossan EV Kate's Trident	EX 91		3		
		Ardmore Crocus 110	Ardrossan EV Kate's Trident	EX 90		4		
		Ardmore Janet 94	Rosehill Slightly Magic	EX 90		3		
		Ardmore Lady Jane 5	Stamford Triple Threat	EX 90 (2)		4		
		Ardmore Tulip 38	Ravenhill Enigma	EX 90		5		
		Ardmore Yellow Kate 21	Bonnie Brae Heligo	EX 90		3		
		Ardmore Dorothy 79	Ardmore Crown Napier	VG 87		1		
		Ardmore Tulip 68	Rosehill Blackthorn	VG 87		1		
		Ardmore White Dewdrop 8	Stevenson's Saltire	VG 87		1		
		Ardmore Crocus 135	Palmyra Tri-Star Burdette	VG 86		1		
		Ardmore Sunrise 64	Mapleburn Remington	VG 85		1		
		Arran View	D C & A D Morgan	Arran View FT Denise	Muirston Fair Trade	EX 91 (2)		4
				Muirston Denise 89	Noremead Supreme Red	EX 90		5
Baillifscourt Sea Lily	Celandine First Lord				LP 60	7		
Baillifscourt Ballyreggan	D. M. Of Normanby A Millar	Ballyreggan Dawn	McCormick Navigator	EX 91		5		
		Ballyreggan Hibee	Carrousel Regiment Red	EX 91		7		
		Ballyreggan Sadie 9	Sterndale Rose Royce Red	EX 91 (2)		4		
		Barr Governor (Male)	Poos Stadel Classic	EX 91				
		Ballyreggan Kim Nav 7	McCormick Navigator	EX 90		4		
		Ballyreggan Sheila 4	Carnell Bright Crown	EX 90		6		
		Ballyreggan Cushie 27	Poos Stadel Classic	VG 86		1		
		Ballyreggan Hibee 2	Willsbro Red Razzle	VG 86		1		
		Ballyreggan Star 13	Aghavilly Bolt Red	VG 86		1		
		Ballynahone Lady Jane 5	McCormick Nelson	VG 87		8		
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		Couplaw Avril	Horseclose Cashier	EX 90 (2)		10		
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		Beechmount Ethel 7	Beechmount Tristan	VG 86		1		
		Beechmount Marie Girl 5	Lagace Ristourn	VG 85		1		
		Beechmount Polly 2	Lagace Ristourn	VG 85		1		
		Hulton Meg 14	Greenshields Silver Shadow	EX 92 (2)		10		
		Brieryside Supreme Esme	Noremead Supreme Red	EX 91		5		
		Beeline Swiss Crummie	Brieryside Lucky Swiss	VG 86		1		
Beeline Swiss Maxi	Brieryside Lucky Swiss	VG 86		1				
Beeline Wanderer Sheila	Brieryside Crown Wanderer	VG 86		1				
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Halmyre Urr Louise 275	Halmyre Urr Lieutenant	VG 86		1				
Beeline Classic Jessie	Poos Stadel Classic	VG 85		1				

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Bellfield	The Cowhill Trust	Beeline Star Lora 2	Hunnington Kellogg Star	VG 85		1
		Beeline Wanderer Barbour	Brieryside Crown Wanderer	VG 85		1
		Calderglen Bimbo	West Mossgiel Star Attraction	VG 85		1
		Calderglen Birch 2	West Mossgiel Star Attraction	VG 85		1
		Calderglen White Julia 10	West Mossgiel Star Attraction	VG 85		1
		Bellfield Myree 78	Bankend Waterfall		LP 60	10
		Bellfield Myree 95	Bellfield Happy Spirit		LP 60	8
Biddesden	Biddesden Farm Partnership	Bellfield Thora 55	Bankend Waterfall		LP 60	9
		Biddesden Daffodil 14	Haresfoot Elegant	VG 85		1
		Biddesden Oxalis 36	Changue Tryst	VG 85		1
Bigginvale	R T & J I Adams	Biddesden Ritchie 3	Bellayre Patriot		LP 60	7
		Bigginvale Apple Blossom 6	Beltonville Ivys Lad	EX 92	LP 60	9
Blackrock	M/s Packer & Rowe	Blackrock Martini	City View Highlander		LP 60	10
Brackley	W & P Kelly	Brackley Hope 4	Ravenhill Enigma	EX 90		3
		Brackley Guinivere 16	Ravenhill Story	VG 85		1
Brieryside	G Lawrie & Sons	Brieryside Princess Pauline 54	McCormick Nelson	EX 90	LP 60	7
Broadmeadows	L Awde	Middle Rosy Red Dudy	Middle Brown Girls Rudi	EX 91		7
Brocklehill	J & K Rennie	Barr Val 10	Hunday Major Red	EX 93 (2)	LP 60	6
		Brocklehill Sand Honeysuckle	Morwick Sand Ranger Red	VG 88	LP 60	7
Brookvale	H Lilburn	Brocklehill Madeira 2	Brocklehill Buccaneer	VG 85	LP 60	8
		Brookvale Fancy Florrie	McCormick Nelson	EX 90		3
Butterbesley	R Cornish	Hilltown Star 404	Craigtown Amber	EX 92 (3)		7
		Hilltown Violet 118	Meikle Laught Triple Crown	EX 91 (2)		10
		East Church Tridents Betty 2	Ardrossan E V Kate's Trident	EX 90		3
Calderglen	J & M Barr	Calderglen Geisha	Hunnington Sailors Senior		LP 60	11
		Calderglen Icecream	Hunnington Sailors Senior		LP 60	9
Caldervale	W S Millar & Son	Caldervale Betina 54	Morwick Sand Ranger Red	EX 93		9
		Caldervale Excell 20	Almere Pericles	EX 92		7
		Caldervale June 23	Morwick Sand Ranger Red	VG 89	LP 60	5
		Caldervale Betina 96	Sir Ridgedal Rustler Red	VG 86		1
		Caldervale Reality Bella	Palmyra Tri-Star Reality	VG 85		1
		Cherry Tree Sunflower 23	Horizon Ranger Red	VG 86	LP 60	7
Clynmelyn	M/s Thornber D B & C A Walters	Acton Nelson Peggy	McCormick Nelson	EX 92		8
		Stamford Flash Girl 26	Stamford Ole Gunnar Winner	EX 92		10
		Millford Lark 26	Millford White Tornado	EX 91		5
		Attwell Spottie 14	Attwell Admiral	EX 90	LP 60	8
		Clynmelyn Daphne	Ardmore Crown Napier	EX 90		3
		Clynmelyn Eve 3	Brieryside Jubilant Scot	EX 90		5
		Clynmelyn Freda	Stamford Breakthrough	EX 90		4
		Clynmelyn Pimple 5	Ardmore Crown Napier	EX 90		3
		Clynmelyn Larkrise Minty	Millford Larkrise	VG 85		1
		Clynmelyn Mandella Mandy	Hunnington Mandella	VG 85		1
		Park Head Tartan Glove 4	Corringham Rasputin Red	EX 93 (4)		6
		Colfin Lindsay 37	Bankend Brown Bomber	VG 85		1
		Colfin Milkshake 20	Lagace Ristourn	VG 85		1
Coachgate Colfin	F S & L Griffiths W A McWilliam	Colfin Quink 13	Colfin Nick		LP 60	10
		Combebow Polka Dot 4	West Mossgiel Lord Of The Ring	EX 91		6
Coombe	B Coombe	Pam Ayrs Prime Time (Male)	De La Plaine Prime	VG 88		
		Coombe Duchess	Family-AF-Ayr Poker Duncan	VG 86		1
		Combe Della Sunshine	Hunnington Mandella	VG 85		1
		Marlbrook Royce Fenella	Sterndale Rose Royce Red	VG 85		1
Cottown	J Drummond	Cottown Ruth 3	Killoch Plum Choice	EX 93 (2)	LP 80	8
		Cottown Ashleigh 9	Humeston Top Yield	EX 92 (2)		4
		Cottown Amelia 2	Killoch Plum Choice	EX 91 (4)		8
		Cottown Ashleigh 12	Cottown Justice	EX 91		3
		Cottown Davina 2	Craigtown Stardust	EX 91 (2)		6
		Cottown Ruth 15	Lagace Ristourn	EX 90		4

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CSA Uplifts Cuthill Towers	A & S Lawrie	Cottown Willow 2	Craigtown Stardust	EX 90		3
		Cottown Quest Kate	Ballynahone Hectors Quest	VG 86		1
		Cottown Showstar Ruth	Kellcrest Showstar	VG 86		1
		Caldervale Caroline 22	Stevenson's Saltire	VG 85		1
		Cuthill Towers Ellie 10	Ladino Park Talent	EX 93 (4)	LP 60	6
		Cuthill Towers Radar Ray 13	Hunnington Mandella	EX 93		3
		Cuthill Towers Special Spottie	Lagace Ristourn	EX 90		3
		Cuthill Towers Barbarian (Male)	Palmyra Tri-Star Burdette	VG 89		
		Cuthill Towers Tot 21	Ladino Park Talent	VG 86	LP 60	6
Davidsons Devas	C Davidson	Knockenjig Gay Lass 8	McCornick Nelson	EX 90		4
	C Roskilly	Devas Fenela 23	Pant James Bond	EX 95 (5)		7
		Devas Sunflower 25	Meggitt Amigo	EX 90		3
Dudley Wood East Church	G Hall & Son	Devas Sunlight 29	Devas First Valentine	EX 90		4
	M D Evans	Dudley Wood Myrtle 22	Dudley Wood Immortal Miller		LP 60	12
East Drumlemble	W Ralston	East Church Dons Betty	East Church Admiral Don		LP 60	10
		Glyngarth I M Buttercup	Kellcrest Ice Man		LP 60	11
		East Drumlemble Banquet 9	East Drumlemble Jupiter	EX 90		6
		East Drumlemble Bellflower 18	East Drumlemble Trinity	EX 90		3
		East Drumlemble Bonnie 13	Stevenson's Saltire	EX 90		3
		East Drumlemble Jill 16	East Drumlemble Jupiter	EX 90		6
		East Drumlemble Jubilant (Male)	Cuthill Towers Rambo	VG 88		
Fineview	R D Clark	East Drumlemble Jalna 72	East Drumlemble Jackpot	VG 85		1
		East Drumlemble Japonica 26	Carnell Tristan	VG 85		1
		Low Barnultoch Teenie 3	Brocklehill Burnished Gold	EX 94 (2)		12
		High Balyett Ivy 52	Kian	EX 92 (2)		4
		Changue Melanie 200	West Mossgiel Seafarer	EX 90		3
		Fineview Crown Melanie	Fineview Crown Oyster	VG 86		1
Flintstone	R A & S Arnott	Haresfoot Easlad Ella	Hunnington BBK Easlad	EX 91 (4)	1 Star	5
		Hunnington Sailor Girl 123	Hunnington Mandella	EX 90		6
		Flintstone Ranger Lupin 2	Morwick Sand Ranger Red	EX 90		6
		Hunnington Myrtle 3	Hunnington Admiral	EX 90		5
		Flintstone Reality Ella	Palmyra Tri-Star Reality	VG 87		1
		Flintstone Remington Knockout (Male)	Mapleburn Remington	VG 87		
Garthland	J McColm Ltd	Garthland Kandytuft	Bonnie Brae Tuxedo		LP 60	9
		Garthland Telma	Garthland Glorious	VG 85		1
		Garthland Trixie	Garthland Lancaster	VG 85		1
		Garthland Hilda.	Killoch Number One		LP 80	11
Glenchapel	J K Jamieson	Glenchapel Ann 22	Heatherstone V Hero Red		LP 60	8
Glenmuir	J & A Struthers	Glenchapel Sandra 34	Cuthill Towers Maestro		LP 60	9
		Barr Sandy Rose 68	Barr Chancer	EX 90		3
Glwydeth	H Charles	Changue Cornflower 123	Dalbytop Phil	EX 90		4
		Syke SD Pansy	Syke Distillery	EX 90 (2)		5
		Glenmuir Oblique Pansy 3	Jelyca Oblique	VG 86		1
		Glenmuir Sentinel Emma	Bilsrow Sentinel	VG 86		1
		Glenmuir Oblique Pansy 2	Jelyca Oblique	VG 85		1
		Glwydeth Control Wren	West Mossgiel Cruise Control	EX 92		3
		Glwydeth Chosen Bluebell	Cherry Treen Chosen One	EX 91		3
		Glwydeth Chosen Nance	Cherry Tree Chosen One	EX 91		3
		Glwydeth Ontario Lena 2	Bankend Lord Ontario	EX 91 (4)		6
		Glwydeth Blaze Lena	Haresfoot Blaze	EX 90		5
Golden	R C & T Martin	Glwydeth Threat Beauty	Stamford Triple Threat	EX 90		5
		Glwydeth Tryst Maiden	Changue Tryst	EX 90		5
		Glwydeth Conn Lena	Shady Walnut Conn	VG 85		1
		Glwydeth Flash Lena 2	Knutsford White Flash	VG 85		1
		Hilltown Snowball 733	Saguenayenne Kate Medalist	EX 90		3
Goldstone Grove	J & R Gray T Gordon	Golden Jubilee (Male)	Cuthill Towers Autumn Gold	VG 88		
		Golden Burdette Violet 2	Palmyra Tri-Star Burdette	VG 85		1
		Goldstone Flop 92	Hunnington Admiral	EX 90	LP 80	10
		Grove Rosie 5	Morwick Sand Ranger Red	EX 93 (4)		8
Halmyre Urr	L Davidson & Sons	Grove Hollyhock 6	Brieryside Principal	EX 90		4
		Grove Rosie 11	KC Roses Chatter Red	EX 90		4
		Halmyre Urr Louise 211	Halmyre Urr Jack	EX 95 (4)		6
		Halmyre Urr Louise 192	Stadel	EX 90	LP 60	6
		Halmyre Urr Mayflower 225	Knowe First Priority	EX 90	LP 60	8
		Halmyre Urr Ladybird 378	Knowe First Priority	VG 85	LP 60	7
		Halmyre Urr Daybreak	Howie's Inimitable		LP 60	5
Harperfield Hayford.	Firm Of D M Lindsay	Halmyre Urr Fancy Girl 67	Stadel		LP 60	6
	H & H Jones	Barr Sandy Rose 56	Barr Aviator	EX 94		4
		Hayford. Karelia 129	McCornick Nelson		LP 60	6
Heavenly	W Brassington	Hayford. Snowflake 114	Hayford Pride Of All		LP 60	9
		Barr Bronze Lottie	Barr Apache	EX 91 (2)		5

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Heydale	D W Berresford & Son	Heavenly Tryst Emerald	Changue Tryst	EX 91 (2)		4
		Heydale Flox 20	Woodland View Pedro	EX 94 (8)		10
		Heydale Winsome 113	Elegance Amiral	EX 94 (4)		6
		Heydale Winsome 114	Heydale Montrose	EX 94 (3)		6
		Heydale Helen 70	Heydale Kellys Star	EX 92		10
		Heydale Sheila 75	Covey-Farms Reno	EX 92 (3)	LP 60	8
		Heydale Big Kate	Heydale Kellys Star	EX 91 (3)	LP 80	9
		Heydale Ovoid 303	Heydale Broadway	EX 91		3
		Heydale Ovoid 287	Lagace Modem	EX 90		4
		Heydale Sabrina	Ayr-Ouelle Network	EX 90		3
		Heydale Serafina	Ronick Simbad	EX 90		3
		Heydale Fine Wine (Male)	Terrace Bank Free Beer	VG 87		
		Heydale Samantha	Jelyca Oblique	VG 86		1
		Heydale Ovoid 324	Kellcrest Showstar	VG 85		1
		Heydale Royal Bronara	Heydale Royal Windsor	VG 85		1
		Heydale Winsome 140	Palmyra Tri-Star Burdette	VG 85		1
		Highmark Highway	J S Watson	Barr Sandy Rose 31	Mawdesley Bright Beam	EX 92 (2)
M H Parkes	Highway Madge 17		Highway Hallmark	EX 93 (2)	LP 60	11
Hilltown	M/s Nicholls	Highway Banana 18	Highway Hallmark	EX 91 (2)	LP 60	10
		Hilltown Snowball 466	Meikle Laught Triple Crown	EX 94 (5)		11
		Hilltown Snowball 570	Roi Galant	EX 93 (5)		7
		Hilltown Violet 121	Hilltown Armada	EX 93 (3)		10
		Hilltown Violet 155	Ravenhill Cracker	EX 93 (5)		8
		Hilltown Patricia 148	Changue Back Up	EX 92 (4)		8
		Hilltown Patricia 155	Hilltown Galaxy	EX 92 (4)		7
		Hilltown Snowball 709	Lagace Modem	EX 92 (2)		4
		Hilltown Snowball 712	Lagace Monaco	EX 92 (2)		4
		Hilltown Star 278	Meikle Laught Triple Crown	EX 92 (3)		11
		Hilltown Star 363	Stamford First Prize	EX 92 (2)		8
		Hilltown Star 377	Stretton Triple Prime	EX 92 (4)		8
		Hilltown Star 448	Margot Calimero	EX 92 (3)		5
		Hilltown Violet 233	Lagace Modem	EX 92 (2)		4
		Hilltown Julep 42	Green Lane Marksman	EX 91 (2)		4
		Hilltown Patricia 183	Knutsford White Flash	EX 91		4
		Hilltown Snowball 642	Margot Calimero	EX 91 (4)		6
		Hilltown Snowball 662	Hunnington Admiral	EX 91 (3)		5
		Hilltown Star 412	Garthland Snowman	EX 91 (3)		6
		Hilltown Star 441	Margot Calimero	EX 91 (2)		5
		Hilltown Violet 204	Hilltown Hijack	EX 91		5
		Hilltown Violet 220	Don-Sher Hector	EX 91 (3)		5
		Hilltown Violet 265	Brocklehill Bank Book	EX 91		3
		Hilltown Belle 94	Don-Sher Hector	EX 90		5
		Hilltown Snowball 606	Craigtown Amber	EX 90 (2)		7
		Hilltown Snowball 620	Garthland Snowman	EX 90 (3)		6
		Hilltown Snowball 664	Hilltown Hijack	EX 90		5
		Hilltown Star 464	Lagace Monaco	EX 90		4
		Hilltown Tulip 44	McCormick Navigator	EX 90		6
		Hilltown Violet 243	Lagace Modem	EX 90		4
		Hilltown Violet 246	Saguenayenne Kate Medalist	EX 90		3
		Hilltown Judy 2	Horseclose Einstein	VG 85		1
		Hilltown Star 509	Horseclose Einstein	VG 85		1
		Hilltown Star 513	Ronick Simbad	VG 85		1
		Hilltown Violet 324	Jelyca Oblique	VG 85		1
		Hilltown Violet 327	Ellerton Double Merit	VG 85		1
Holmeswood	A Rimmer	Haresfoot Napier Bella	Ardmore Crown Napier	VG 89		2
Hopesgate	Ladyhouse Farms Ltd	Trenhayle Apricot 3	Trenhayle Eclipse		LP 80	9
Horseclose	J A McGarva	Horseclose Lorna 44	Horseclose Einstein	EX 90	LP 60	7
Hulton	M T & A M Partington	Hulton Harp 11	Hulton Prudential		LP 80	13
Hunnington	C Window	Braeburn Sabre Annabelle Red	Briar Factor Sabre Red		LP 60	8
Inch	J Morrison & Son	Grovehill Chatter Pippa	KC Roses Chatter T Red	EX 91		3
Keir Mains	M Young & Sons	Keir Mains Amber 24	Stamford First Prize	VG 87	LP 60	8
		Keir Mains Vespa 57	Jelyca Oblique	VG 85		1
Kirkinriola	R & M King	Kirkinriola SPW Cuckoo	Stamford Prize Winner	EX 91 (2)		4
		Kirkinriola SPW Lucky	Stamford Prize Winner	EX 91 (2)		4
		Kirkinriola SPW Margie	Stamford Prize Winner	EX 91 (2)		4
		Kirkinriola KMA Buttercup	Kinninmonth Maravedie	EX 90		4
		Kirkinriola SPW Spangle	Stamford Prize Winner	EX 90 (2)		4
		Ravenhill Ethel 450	Hunnington Mandella	EX 90		4
		Kirkinriola Emjo (Male)	Jelyca Oblique	VG 89		

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Knowe	G & G Templeton	Knowe White Lily 421	Palmyra Pardner Baltimore	EX 92 (4)		7		
		Knowe Bertha 205	Knowe Kruger King	EX 90		5		
		Knowe Brown Kate 267	Brieryside Rhapsody	EX 90		3		
		Knowe White Lily 503	West Mossgiel Aramis	EX 90		3		
		Brieryside Respect (Male)	Mapleburn Remington	VG 88				
		Cuthill Towers Elpaso (Male)	Rosehill Blackthorn	VG 87				
		Knowe White Lily 557	West Port Bookman Red	VG 86		1		
		Knowe Aster 4	West Mossgiel Modern Class	VG 85		1		
		Knowe White Lily 555	Knowe Silver Reality	VG 85		1		
		Knowe Dainty Lass 142	Knowe Royal Salut		LP 80	9		
		Lakeland	R A Watterson	Lakeland Princess 4	Celandine First Lord	EX 93 (4)		7
				Lakeland Matilda 4	Stamford Kates Command	EX 91 (2)		8
				Lakeland Princess 5	Ardmore Crown Napier	EX 90		7
Langside	A Gray & Son	Langside Anne 19	Humeston Golden Bolt	EX 93 (2)		5		
		Langside Beauty 78	Humeston Golden Bolt	EX 92 (2)		5		
		Langside Blaeberry 109	Scientific Debonair-Red	EX 90		3		
Longwood	T Crawford & Co Ltd	Langside Cactus Jack (Male)	Ards Skipper Red	VG 88				
		Moorside Marie 7	West Mossgiel Star	EX 94 (5)	LP 60	6		
		Knockenjig Snowbell 40	Knowe Black Kellogg	EX 90 (3)	LP 60	7		
		Longwood Talent Crummie	Ladino Park Talent	EX 90		5		
		Longwood Burdette Ella	Palmyra Tri-Star Burdette	VG 85		1		
Lynner Mair's Marleycote	C Walters	Longwood Crown Crummie	Ardmore Crown Napier	VG 85		1		
	C Mair	Lynner Dark Aurora 17	Kellcrest Ice Man	EX 91 (3)	LP 60	8		
	G G Baynes & Son	Mair's Classic Shirley	Poos Stadel Classic	VG 85		1		
		Marleycote Annette	Marleycote Winton Robbie	EX 94 (4)		6		
		Marleycote Ad Queen Red	Duchess Advent Duke-Red	EX 91 (2)		5		
		Marleycote Fawn 2	Des Prairies Potter	EX 90		4		
		Marleycote Julia 2	Muir Mr Magic	EX 90		3		
		Marleycote Julia 3	Redsky JB Gerry Red	VG 86		1		
		Marleycote Annette 8	Muir Mr Magic	VG 85		1		
		Pylon Sandie 2	Pylon Remus	EX 93 (2)	LP 80	12		
Meathop Menadue	S Harrison	Menadue Orange Blossom	Mercaston Royal Genius	EX 91	LP 60	9		
	J A J Pearce	Menadue Belinda	Bellfield Top Quality	EX 90		9		
		Menadue Quadrille 5	Barr Regent	VG 86		1		
		Menadue Wind Chime 13	Wroughton Lord Winston	VG 86		1		
		Calderglen Silverbell 11	Calderglen Senator	VG 85		1		
Moathouse Morwick	R Danforth	Barr Kiss 5	Barr Regent	EX 94 (4)		7		
	D A Howie & Sons	Morwick Peggy 92	Morwick Mr B	EX 90		3		
		Morwick Sandra 88	Morwick Mentor Red	VG 86		1		
		Morwick Tulip 105	Delta Fidelity	VG 85		1		
		Morwick Sand Princess Red	Morwick Sand Ranger Red		LP 60	7		
Mossburnhill Muirside	R Fleming	Mossburnhill Tulip 14	Ravenhill Excavator	VG 85		1		
	J Howie	Muirside Diana	Muirside Jericho	EX 92		5		
		Muirside Shona	Mer-Gold Autumn Son-Red	EX 91		5		
		Muirside Mavis 29	Morwick Mentor Red	EX 90		3		
		Muirside Cowslip 7	Mair's Ronaldo	VG 85		1		
		New Close Sandra 65	Brieryside Canadian Commander	VG 88	LP 60	9		
New Close Northney	H & J E Watson	Northney Lily 55	Stamford Ambassador	VG 85		1		
	A H Brown (Hayling Island Ltd)	Northney Omo 39	Blackaddar Milk Machine		LP 80	11		
Oakfield Pagewood	T Brown	McCormick Ila 37	McCormick Nelson		LP 60	9		
	M Aidley	Hunnington Breeze 13	Hunnington BBK Easlad	EX 93 (2)		6		
		Attwell Bethia 25	Haresfoot Blaze	EX 90		5		
		Stamford Roselinda 72	McCormick Nelson	EX 90		4		
		Moorside Namesake	Moorside All Star	VG 85	LP 60	9		
		Pagewood Rosie Bethia	Sterndale Roseman Red	VG 85		1		
		Upton Grange Larky Hilda	All.nure Bellwood Larky		LP 60	8		
		Park Head Triumph 2	Corringham Rasputin Red	EX 90	LP 60	6		
Penrhalt Bramble Leaf	Celandine First Lord	VG 85	LP 60	8				
Plaskett	M/s Armstrong	Plaskett Jolly 190	Round Bush Edward	EX 92 (2)	LP 60	11		
	J McLean	Marleycote Sea Lily 14	Des Prairies Potter	EX 93		3		
Priestland Ravenhill	J Suffern	Ravenhill Ethel 411	Margot Calimero	EX 93 (3)		6		
		Ravenhill Ethel 334	McCormick Nelson	EX 91		9		
		Ravenhill Ethel 407	Ardmore Nepal	EX 91 (3)		6		
		Ravenhill Ethel 430	Auchensale BL Jurist	EX 91 (3)		5		
		Ravenhill Ethel 455	Hunnington Mandella	EX 91		4		
		Ravenhill Fairy 16	Ravenhill Cavalier	EX 91 (2)		5		
		Ravenhill Fergie 7	Ravenhill Innisfree	EX 91 (5)		8		
		Ravenhill Snowgem 50	Bonnie Brae Tuxedo	EX 91 (2)		7		
		Ravenhill Ethel 379	McCormick Nelson	EX 90		8		
		Ravenhill Ethel 412	Ardrossan EV Kates Trident	EX 90		6		

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Rhos	S P R & L Reed	Ravenhill Ethel 423	Ravenhill Enigma	EX 90		5
		Ravenhill Ethel 476	Hunnington BBK Easlad	EX 90		3
		Ravenhill Ethel 490	Lagace Ristourn	EX 90		3
		Ravenhill May 65	Ardrossan E V Kates Trident	EX 90		4
		Ravenhill Tulip 85	Ardrossan E V Kates Trident	EX 90 (2)		4
		Ardmore Orlando (Male)	Mapleburn Remington	VG 88		
		Ravenhill Cissie 174	Meikle Laught Triple Crown	VG 87	LP 60	6
		Ravenhill Bell 2	Palmyra Tri-Star Burdette	VG 85		1
		Ravenhill Ethel 539	Kellcrest Showstar	VG 85		1
		Haresfoot Simply Red Pamela	Forte Simply Red	EX 95 (3)		5
		Haresfoot Blaze Bo Peep	Haresfoot Blaze	EX 91 (2)		4
		Haresfoot Brazen Ella	Haresfoot Brazen	EX 91		3
		Rhos Windsor Tango Crown	Carnell Bright Crown	EX 91		3
		Rhos Lydiatwo Easlad	Hunnington BBK Easlad	EX 90		3
		Rhos Windsor Tina Pant	Windsor Pant Connection	EX 90		3
		Rhos Gettysburg Marsh Crusade	Davidsons Gettysburg	VG 86		1
		Ridley Hill	J Howie	Rhos Langton Elmannette	Rhos Langton Royal Lad	VG 85
		Douglas's Corashow	Dilham Drifter	EX 93 (4)		6
		Ridley Hill Orchid	Kellcrest Ice Man	EX 93 (3)		6
		Douglas's Nikita	Millford Toronto	EX 92 (3)		5
		Ridley Hill Dorrie 2	Covey-Farms Reno	EX 92 (2)		7
		Ridley Hill Janee	Ridley Hill Milky	EX 92 (2)		5
		Ridley Hill Martenez	Ridley Hill Milky	EX 92 (2)		5
		Douglas's Scottydoo	Visserdale Stealth	EX 90		3
		Douglas's Stumpydoo	Visserdale Stealth	EX 90		3
		Ridley Hill Ploughbelle	Ridley Hill Ploughman	EX 90		4
		Ridley Hill Effivesent	Douglas's Milky Ways	VG 89		2
		Ridley Hill Janee 2	Ronick Simbad	VG 86		1
Rogus	L J R B & J V Tristram	Rogus Heinz	Woodland View Pardner		LP 60	8
Rosehill	W R C & J E Christophers	Rosehill Very Rosy	East Church Ross	EX 90 (2)	LP 60	6
Ryecroft	D & K Haworth	Ryecroft Classic Quilt	Poos Stadel Classic	EX 92		3
		Ryecroft Sparta Victoria 2	Delta Sparta	VG 89	LP 80	8
		Ryecroft Curtis Dairy Queen 2	Apina Curtis	VG 86		1
Ryemuir	W Sloan & Co	Ryemuir Ice Man Crackers	Kellcrest Ice Man	EX 94	LP 60	7
		Ryemuir Pericles Theme	Almere Pericles	EX 93	LP 60	7
		Ryemuir Judge Theme	Stardale Judge Red	VG 85		1
Sandersfarms	A J & S M Sanders	Sandersfarms Ashlyn Biddy	Orraryd	EX 91 (3)		5
		Sandersfarms Briannah Frances	B Jurist	EX 91		4
		Sandersfarms Cassi Blackberry	B Jurist	EX 90 (2)		4
		Sandersfarms Cherry Ruby	B Jurist	EX 90		4
		Sandersfarms Christen Faith	B Jurist	EX 90		4
		Sandersfarms Rhyne Jewel	Changue Tryst	VG 86		1
		Sandersfarms Rosie Breeze Black	B Jurist	VG 85		1
Sanderson	D & C Sanderson	Sanderson Buntly SR 2	Morwick Sand Ranger Red	VG 87	LP 60	6
Sandyford	E T Tomlinson & Son	Sandyford Fable 3	Attwell Admiral	EX 95 (5)		7
		Sandyford Clover 12	Hulton Park Twilight	EX 94 (2)		6
		Millford Heather Honey 40	Horizon Ranger Red	EX 93 (4)		9
		Sandyford Queenie 17	Sandyford Sweet Chariot	EX 93 (2)		5
		Sandyford Queenie 13	Hunnington BBK Easlad	EX 92		6
		Sandyford Anne 13	Sandyford Victory	EX 91 (2)		8
		Hunnington Lilly 8	Hunnington Mandella	EX 90		5
		Sandyford Jacqueline 2	Sandyford Sweet Chariot	EX 90		3
		Sandyford Mayflower 14	Mapleburn Remington	VG 89		2
		Sandyford Ruby Red	Ridgefield Ram Beau Red	VG 89		2
		Sandyford Dreamy Bella	Nexus Dreamer	VG 87		1
		Sandyford New Ruby	Cogent Retinue Red	VG 85		1
		Sandyford Ristourn Russet	Lagace Ristourn	VG 85		1
Simley	E I & J L Metcalf	Simley Oblique Jill	Jelyca Oblique	VG 85		1
Stamford	H W Oultram & Co	Patshill Cherryleaf 4	Horseclose Fortune Seeker	EX 94 (4)	LP 60	9
		Acton HVG Princess Poker	Hidden Valley Garth	EX 91 (2)		3
		Stamford Freda 19	Stamford Ole Gunnar Winner	EX 91 (2)	LP 60	9
		Stamford Galaxie 4	Stamford Atlantic Star		LP 60	7
Sunny Bank	D Galbraith	Sunny Bank Matilda 18	Brieryside Jubilant Scot	EX 93	LP 60	9
		Sunny Bank Camilla	Brieryside Jubilant Scot	VG 88	LP 60	8
Swaites	J Adamson & Son	Swaites Bridie 5	Bankend Right Wing	EX 94 (3)		10
		Swaites Danette	Bankend Celebration	EX 93 (2)	LP 60	6
		Swaites Dewdrop 7	Swaites Magnus	EX 93 (2)		5
		Swaites Felicity 6	West Spittal Regiment Red	EX 91 (2)		5
		Swaites Margaret Ann 16	Brieryside Red Centurian	VG 86		1
		Swaites Mavis 6	Apina Curtis	VG 86		1

Prefix	Owner/Breeder	Animal's Name	Sire	Class.	Award	Lact.
Tessvale	R C & A L Adams Ltd	Swaites Bridie 9	West Spittal Regiment Red	VG 85		1
		Swaites Dewdrop 13	Poos Stadel Classic	VG 85		1
		Swaites Nell 10	Ardmore Crown Napier	VG 85		1
		Tessvale Freda 5	Stamford First Quality	EX 90		5
		Tessvale White Rose 13	Cuthill Towers Rambo	VG 85		1
Waunafon	C P & E Robinson	Waunafon Burdette Delan	Palmyra Tri-Star Burdette	VG 86		1
Wellhouse	Firm Of J M Howie	Castlepark Robbo Freckles	Kellywell Robbo Red	VG 87		1
Whitecroft	J D & B F Broadley	Smartmove Maple Ping	Mapleburn Remington	VG 86		1
		Whitecroft Ruth 87	Saguenayenne Kate Medalist	EX 95 (5)	LP 60	8
		Whitecroft Nellie 33	Stretton Triple Prime	EX 94 (4)	LP 60	7
		Whitecroft Anna 46	Covey-Farms Reno	EX 93 (3)	1 Star	10
		Whitecroft Brown Girl 7	Green Lane Marshall	EX 93 (4)		8
		Whitecroft Mary 13	McCormick Nelson	EX 93 (7)		10
		Whitecroft Nellie 38	Celandine First Lord	EX 93 (3)		5
		Whitecroft Bell 8	McCormick Nelson	EX 92 (3)		9
		Whitecroft Katie	Whitecroft Double R	EX 92 (4)	LP 80	9
		Whitecroft Mary 16	Palmyra Pardner Baltimore	EX 92 (3)		7
		Whitecroft Miss Brown 5	McCormick Nelson	EX 92 (3)		7
		Whitecroft Anna 65	Green Lane Prodigy	EX 91 (2)		4
		Whitecroft Anna 67	A Linne	EX 91		3
		Whitecroft Cathy 10	Castern Commodore	EX 91		5
		Whitecroft Ruth 104	Whitecroft Fire Cracker	EX 91 (2)		5
		Whitecroft Emmie 91	Brundcliffe Sahara Red	EX 90		3
		Whitecroft Furtado (Male)	Palmyra Tri-Star Burdette	EX 90		
		Whitecroft Ruth 103	Whitecroft Trafalgar	EX 90 (2)		5
		Whitecroft Ruth 91	McCormick Navigator	EX 90 (2)	LP 60	8
		Wigboro	J Smith	Twemlow Peggy 12	Twemlow Major Threat	VG 89
Wroughton	M Windel	Wroughton Nevada	McCormick Navigator	EX 94 (3)		7
		Wroughton Floss	Salmonsbury Blue Ribbon	EX 92 (2)		8
		Wroughton Vada	Changue Tryst	EX 91		3
		Wroughton Diane 3	McCormick Nelson	EX 90	LP 80	8
		Moorside Omega	Stamford Famous Grouse	VG 87	LP 60	7
		Wroughton Tricia	Wroughton Lord Winston	VG 87		1
		Wroughton Fifi 2	Wroughton Lord Winston	VG 86		1
		Wroughton Legend 2	Wroughton Lord Winston	VG 86		1
		Wroughton Jewel 5	Haresfoot Elegant	VG 85		1

Free Classifications

The list of young bull daughters has been updated as from 1st April 2015 as follows and will be updated again on 1st October 2015: **Auchensale Lord Potter, Brocklehill Kestral, Carnell Tristan, Cuthill Towers Rambo, East Church Patrolman, Haresfoot Panache, Haresfoot Simply Perfek, Hilltown Oblique, Rosehill Real McCoy, Stamford Witness, West Mossgiel Modern Reality, Willhome Challenger**

Top Registered Calves Ranked by PLI

Registered Pure

PLI	Calf	Sire
261	Lakeland Jean 14	Hilltown Oblique
256	Gadles Napier Flossie	Ardmore Crown Napier
255	Hadlow Jo Rene	Jelyca Oblique
253	Rosehill Oblique Magenta	Jelyca Oblique
252	Glenchapel Gloria 29	Kamouraska Decaf
240	Tullaghbone Dorothy 21	Ardmore Crown Napier
238	Islandpride Oblique Bella	Jelyca Oblique
231	Murcar Oblique Lucky Rose	Jelyca Oblique
227	Longwood Panache Marie	Haresfoot Panache
225	Changue Mary Rose 114	Rosehill Manderville

Registered Blended

PLI	Calf	Sire
393	Sandersfarms Virgo Blackberry	Pell Pers
355	Whinnow Gunnar Orreja	Gunnarstorp
355	Sandersfarms Gunnar Orreja	Gunnarstorp
322	Sandersfarms Venetian Opal	Gunnarstorp
312	Sandersfarms Vienna Opal	Gunnarstorp

279	Sandersfarms Truly Snowdrop	Gunnarstorp
270	Sandersfarms Turin Snowdrop	A Linne
266	Sandersfarms Tamarisk Frances	Gunnarstorp
258	Auchensale Burdette Rose	Palmyra Tri-Star Burdette
256	Coombe Pink Candy	Rosehill Manderville
243	Ryemuir Burdette Bet	Palmyra Tri-Star Burdette

Registered Red & White

PLI	Calf	Sire
390	Sandersfarms Vast Faith	Gunnarstorp
387	Sandersfarms Valentine Francis	Gunnarstorp
387	Sandersfarms Tropic Topaz	Gunnarstorp
387	Sandersfarms Touchwood Ruby	Gunnarstorp
367	Sandersfarms Topaz Biddy	Gunnarstorp
321	Caldervale Betina 114	Scientific Destry
321	Caldervale Betina 115	Scientific Destry
321	Sandersfarms Vesta Ruby	Pell Pers
315	Sandersfarms Tamarind Jewel	Gunnarstorp
314	Sandersfarms Valois Ruby	Gunnarstorp

Club News Countrywide

Ayr



Exhibitors, winners and the judge of the 2014 Herds Competition

The Annual Herds Competition took place on Thursday 27 November 2014 with seven herds taking part. The judge for the day was Colin Mair, Townhead, Dumfries, and the competition was sponsored by John D Laird - Agricultural Contractor, Semex UK, Harbro Ltd and Quest Farm Supplies Ltd.

Results on the day were as follows:

Best Overall Herd - Challenge Trophy - J & G Lawrie, Sandyford

Large Herd - Bargower Cup - 1-J & G Lawrie, Sandyford, 2-G & G Templeton, Knowe, 3-J & K Rennie, Brocklehill

Small (Mini) Herd - Pant Trophy - 1-A & D Morgan, Little Auchengibbert, 2-B Cunningham, West Mossgiel, 3-J Brown, Catcraig

Cow Family - Wheatrig Trophy - 1-Arran View Napier Denise VG 85 (A. Crown Napier) and Arran View FT Denise EX 90 (Muirston Fair Trade), 2-Carnell Peg 166 EX 90 (W. Spittal Regiment Red) and Carnell Peg 170 VG 85 (C. Bright Crown), 3-Knowe White Lily 421 EX 92 (P. Pardner Baltimore) and Knowe White Lily 503 VG 87 (W. Mossgiel Aramis)

Individual Cow - Stoneleigh Trophy - 1-Sandyford - Brieryside Thunder Bessie (Thunder Van De Wilg), 2-Little Auchengibbert - Arran View FT Denise EX 90 (Muirston Fair Trade), 3-Catcraig - Changue Columbine 104 (Yellow Briar Journalist)

Progeny Group - Howie Cup - 1-Knowe - West Mossgiel Modern Class, 2-Brocklehill - Humeston Golden Bolt, 3-Sandyford - Poos Stadel Classic

Best Heifer - D Laird Cup - 1-Sandyford - Brieryside Pearlstone Swan (Brieryside Pearlstone), 2-Knowe - Knowe Irnola 18 (West Mossgiel Modern Class), 3-West Mossgiel - West Mossgiel Cora 115 (West Mossgiel Mitzys Breakaway)

Best Cow Or Heifer - Shield - 1-Knowe - Knowe White Lily 421 EX 92 (Palmyra Pardner Baltimore), 2-Brocklehill - Brocklehill Potter Escort (Des Prairies Potter), 3-Pocknave - Carnell Belle 70 (Rosehill Rhythmajig)

Red & White Cow Or Heifer - 1-Pocknave - Carnell Razzle Belle (Willsbro Red Razzle), 2-Knowe - Knowe Jassie 10 (Savard Red), 3-Sandyford - Brieryside Razzle Sea Baby (Willsbro Red Razzle)

In the New Year, the club held their 50th Anniversary Presentation Dinner with 100 members past and present in attendance at The Royal Hotel,



Past Chairmans and Secretaries of the club present at the dinner

Cumnock. The evening started off with William Parker, Past Chairman and Secretary proposing a toast to the club, and longest surviving Chairman John Howie and current Secretary Diane Allan cutting the 50th Anniversary cake. A very enjoyable meal followed, with excellent after dinner speaker of the evening being Ian Howie, Allan Glen, Tarbolton. After that, it was on to the presentation of the herd competition trophies where thanks must go to Marion Laird for presenting them, and also for drawing the winning raffle tickets. A special thank you must go to David and Marion Laird after many years of supporting the herd competition, and for donating a trophy for the Best Heifer. Again the sponsors of the herd competition are due a big thank you as without them the competition could not be done - David Laird, Agricultural Contractor; Semex UK, Harbro Ltd and Quest Farm Supplies Ltd. At the end of the evening everyone enjoyed looking at the slide show of previous winners of Ayr Show, etc along with show boards of the previous winners at heifer / bull sales. Thanks must go to William Parker for his time and effort doing these.

At the end of the month we held a quiz night, and an enjoyable night was had by all. Thanks must go to the question masters - Mr and Mrs William Parker. **The results were:-** 1-Galacticos - R Duncan, S Mitchell and S Caldwell, 2-The Heid Bangers - M & J Templeton, G Allan and W Watson, 3-First Time Farmers - G Robb, G Wallace and D Wilson and the Booby prize - Saggy & Co - G Boreland Snr, W Templeton and B Kennedy. In February we held our annual joint panel night with the West of Scotland Holstein Club consisting of A Nicholson, H Wildman and H Guthrie, and R Duncan chairing. An enjoyable evening was had by all.

On Sunday 1st March we held our club bowling evening, and the winning team was - G Allan, B Sloan and J Watson, 2-J Young, J McLeish and A Struthers and 3-W Watson, D Morgan and A Montgomerie. Booby Prize went to - R Gemmell, L Montgomerie and A McHarg. A special prize was given to Paul McHarg for beating his Dad, Martin, in the first game.

Please give the Club's page on Facebook a like - Ayr County Ayrshire Cattle Club.



Cornwall

At the end of November we hosted our 64th annual dinner and dance. Thank you to Willie and Ann Whiteford for attending as guest speakers, and to Martin and Jane Parkes for judging and presenting the herd competition prizes.

Results - McLaren Cup (Six cows production and inspection) -

1-W R C & J E Christophers - Rosehill, 2-B & S Coombe - Coombe, 3-T Howe - Gadles

Trevilges Cup (Three complete heifer lacts. production and inspection) -

1-B & S Coombe, 2-W R C & J E Christophers,

3- A C & D C Walters - Lyner

Wilton Cup (Four cows and two heifers inspec.) -

1-W R C & J E Christophers, 2-T Howe, 3-M/s Packer & Rowe - Blackrock

The Bickford - Smith (Family group of three) -

1-Roskilly family - Devas, 2-T Howe, 3-M/s Packer & Rowe

Blackrock Cup (Senior cow) -

1-Blackrock Flo (Hunnington Triple Winner) - M/s Packer & Rowe, 2-Devas Helen 6 (Brocklehill Bank Book) -

Roskilly family, 3-Devas Fenela 23 (Pant James Bond) - E Roskilly

Tregonwell Cup (Progeny group of four) -

1-Ardmore Crown Napier - T Howe, 2-Hunnington Fragyson - M/s Packer & Rowe, 3-Devas

Valentine - Roskilly family

Trillian Cup (Clean Milk) -

1-T Howe, 2-R & D Hair Reid's, 3-Roskilly family

Williams Salver (Profit Maker) -

1-Combebow Polka Dot 4 (West Mossziel Lord Of The Rings) - B & S Coombe, 2-Haresfoot Enigma

Pamela (Ravenhill Enigma) - W R C & J E Christophers, 3-Gadles Foxtrot

3 (Jatta) - T Howe

Haymar Cup (Heifer under 18 months) -

1-Rosehill Miss Pans Magenta (Haresfoot Panache) - W R C & J E Christophers, 2-Reid's

Crimson Melbury (Haresfoot Simply Perfek) - R Hair, 3-Rosehill Regal

Magenta (Ardmore Crown Napier) - M Stratton

Homedean Cup (Heifer 18 months - 3 Years) -

1-Crimson Burdette Honour (Palmyra Tri-Star Burdette) - M/s Hair & Coryn, 2-Blackrock

Ladywhite 17 (Ardmore Crown Napier) - M/s Packer & Rowe, 3-Roselle

Evie (Lashburn Karamello) - M E Nattle

Cattle Services Trophy (Daughter by C.S. Young Bull) -

1-Rosehill Miss Pans Magenta (Haresfoot Panache) - W R C & J E Christophers,

2-Reids Crimson Melbury 2 (Haresfoot Simply Perfek) - R Hair, 3-Pam

Ayrs Hawaii Five-o (Family - AF Ayr Poker Duncan) - M/s Pollard & Coryn

Bargus Cup (Small Herd) -

1-Kennall Penny Vale (Devas First Valentine) - E Roskilly, 2-Marlbrook

Wisconsin Star (April Day Wisconsin Red) - R Hair, 3-Rosehill Berni Magic

(Rosehill Slightly Magic) - M Stratton

Trevaskis Calf Trophy (Junior Member, Calf Born after 1/1/14)

1-Rosehill Regal Magenta (Ardmore Crown Napier) - M Stratton,

2-Kennall Cherry Pie (Forever Schoon Predator) - E Roskilly, 3-Coombe

Elegant Beauty (Haresfoot Elegant) - E Coombe

Rosie Trophy (Family Pair)-

1-T Howe, 2-M/s Packer & Rowe, 3-R Hair

Pauls Cup (Most Points) -

1-W R C & J E Christophers, 2-T Howe, 3-A C & D C Walters

Gargus Trophy - Overall Best Heifer -

Crimson Burdette Honour

Rosehill Trophy - Overall Best Cow -

Rosehill Prickly Indiana

Webson Trophy Best Junior Member -

Megan Stratton

Cumberland

The club held its AGM at the end of February and the officers are to stay on for another year - President - N Armstrong, Chairman - C Sanderson, Secretary - A Armstrong and Treasurer - M Mattinson. Society President Willie Whiteford was in attendance with Ann, and they thanked the members of the club who had been working very hard over the past year with Conference fund raising, sponsorship and planning. They felt that this had brought the club together, with the numerous meetings that have been held at Middle Farm. Also a big thank you must go to Ann for the wonderful hospitality at the meetings. Club Chairman, Christine, gave a report thanking all who have supported the club in the year, entering competitions and shows, and she also thanked our competition judges for the year, Blaise Thomlinson and James Lawrie. This was all echoed by the club president, Nick, who was proud of the club members this year for pulling out all the stops.

Derbyshire

We held a 'Magical Mayhem' evening in November when members, families, and friends enjoyed watching magic tricks, balloon modelling and 'mind reading'. This involved all ages, and some members were chosen to assist with some tricks - most of them thinking they could catch the magician out, but they didn't manage it!! Some 'little people' were most fascinated by the balloons, and could not keep away from the front! We had a short break to eat a pie supper, and at the end of the evening Pudsey Bear and his girlfriend (made from balloons!) were auctioned off in aid of Children in Need, and also a raffle was held.

The winter months seem to have passed in a flash, and our first event of the year was the interclub/breed quiz that was hosted by the Staffordshire Ayrshire Club. Ian Hetherington acted as the question master, and whilst some of the questions were quite hard (well, this was our excuse anyway!), our club was unable to hold on to the trophy this year, and we have had to let the Holsteins have their turn. An enjoyable time was had by all, and everyone enjoyed a pie supper half way through the questions.

Devon

The Devon Club have been busy putting together plans for the Young Breeders Gathering in Devon this spring. We look forward to welcoming the rest of the country to Devon! The annual dinner was held at the Fishermans Cot this year, and an enjoyable evening was well attended. This year's judges Linda and Howard Batty made the journey down to announce the results of 2104 herds competition.

Spreyton Senior Cup - Group of six cows -

1-J Pearce,

2-R J R & S A Ashford, 3-R & A Cornish

Cow of the year -

1-Hilltown Snowball 545 - R & A Cornish, 2-Menadue

Wychelm 7 - J Pearce, 3-R J R & S A Ashford


Betsy BOCM Paul's Cup For quality milk -

1-L E Rockett & T Marshall,

2-Tristram family, 3-R & A Cornish

Grilstone cup - Group of three heifers (same sire) -

1-R J R & S A



Ashford (Megitt Amigo), 2-J Pearce (Gunnerstorp)

Noke May Morning Cup - most points awarded at shows -

1-L E Rockett & T Marshall, 2-M D Evans, 3-R C & T Martin

Kivell & Sons Herd Cup - Best herd (inspection only) - 1-M D Evans, 2-J Pearce, 3-R C & T Martin

Kivell & Sons Youngstock Cup - 1-W B & E S Marnham, 2-R J R & S A Ashford, 3-R C & T Martin

Rackleigh Perpetual Challenge Trophy - Group 6 bulling heifers

1-R J R & S A Ashford 2-R C & T Martin 3. WB & ES Marnham

Willesley Award - Pair in calf heifers - 1-L E Rockett & T Marshall, 2-M Snell, 3=R J R & S A Ashford and R & A Cornish

Harold Cligg Cup - Cow highest £/last lactation - 1-Rogus Rattle 4 - The Tristram Family, 2-Betsy - R J R & S A Ashford

Meikles Cup - Highest lifetime yield - 1-Rogus Election 11 - The Tristram Family, 2-Menadue Mad Hattie - J Pearce, 3-Bowden Gamma Ray - R J R & S A Ashford

Warmhill Shield - three cows having calved once - 1-J Pearce, 2-M D Evans, 3-R C & T Martin

East Church Silver Salver - U16 club member gaining most points/handling - 1-Anna Mortimer, 2-Keira Martin, 3-Reece Martin

Menadue Cup - heifer calved once/inspection only - 1-Menadue Marjorie 4 - J Pearce, 2-Golden N Juno - R C & T Martin, 3-Hilltown Snowball - R & A Cornish

Robert Adams Cup - Best individual cow/inspection - 1-East Church Jenny - M D Evans, 2-Shamrock - L Rockett and T Marshall, 3= East Church Harmony - M D Evans, 3=East Church Tommys Blissful - R & A Cornish

Spreyton Junior Cup - Spreyton Junior Cup - best individual heifer - 1-Combebow Cilla 10 - R & A Cornish, 2-Mad Hattie 10 - J Pearce, 3-Orway Potter Jeanette - M Snell

Anyone interested in joining the Devon Club - please contact Rob Cornish (Chairman) 07817776194 or Pete Bowditch (Secretary) 07931 655666.

Kintyre & District

The club held its annual heifer competition on 26th November 2014 where there were six herds presented to the judge for the day Mr Kevin Lawrie. Kevin was a well qualified person for the task having recently enjoyed great success at the Agriscot event at Ingliston with animals from the Sandyford herd at Monkton, Ayrshire, which he farms with his parents. The prizes for the various classes of the day were presented at an evening dinner as follows:

Team - 1-A C Millar, Ballygreggan, 2-T M Ralston & Sons, East Drumlemble, 3-T Cameron, Gartvaigh

Individual - 1-A C Millar, 2-T Cameron, 3-T M Ralston & Sons

Mother & Daughter - 1-J & M Barr, Clochkeil, 2-A C Millar, 3-T Cameron

Progeny Group - 1-E D Jackpot - T M Ralston & Sons, 2- & 3- Wilsbro Red Razzle & Achavilly Bolt Red - A C Millar

The Kintyre Agricultural Society then held its Autumn Show on 6th December where the Ayrshire breed was well represented. The main

prizewinners being - **Champion** - A C Millar, **Reserve** - T Cameron **Calf Cup** - J Ralston, Dalivaddy

Forthcoming Events: - May - Herds Competition - date TBC

August 7 - KAS Summer Show , Anderston Park, Campbeltown

August 29th Stockjudging at Clochkeil (combined event with ACS)

Lanark & District

The AGM was held on Tuesday 24th February 2015 at the Radstone Hotel. Re-election of the officer bearers were - J Adamson - Chairman, A Adamson - Secretary, R Gray - Vice Chairman. The chairman gave a detailed account of the events over the past year which were well supported, and thanked everyone for their support. After the business was discussed, John introduced our guest speaker, Willie Whiteford, Society President. Willie gave an informative talk which opened up into a discussion.

Results of the paper competitions were then announced as follows:

Aberhill Silver Plate for heifer production - 1-A & S Lawrie, Cuthill Towers, 2-J Adamson & Son, Swaites, 3-M/s Millar, Craigends

Spillars Trophy - Five highest yielding cows from commencement of 1st lact. - 1-J Adamson & Son - av. daily yield - 30 litres, 2-A & S Lawrie - av. daily yield - 27.4 litres, 3-M/s Millar, Newlands - av. daily yield - 26.4 litres

North East

Yet another very successful cow families competition was held, with the Dowager Marchioness of Normanby leading the trophy table. Many thanks to Mr and Mrs McGarva for visiting us in Yorkshire and Northumberland, and attending our Presidents evening. Results are as follows:

Herd Inspection and Production/Inspection - 1-I Hutchinson, 2-Dowager Marchioness of Normanby, 3-R Danforth

Opposite to Production Inspection - R Danforth (small herd)

Cow Family - 1-Hortense - Dowager Marchioness of Normanby, 2-Pamela - D Alderson, 3-Minty - R Danforth

Proven Bull - 1-Stevenson's Saltire - R Danforth, 2-Hilltown Hijack - Dowager Marchioness of Normanby, 3-Y. Briar Journalist - D Alderson

Unproven Bull - 1-Stamford Chocolate Nugget - Dowager Marchioness of Normanby, 2-Tontine Conman - I Hutchinson, 3-Rosedale Last Chance - A & J Myers

Young Stock - 1-I Hutchinson, 2-R Danforth, 3-R Baynes

Production Cow - 1-Bailiffscourt Hortense 267 - Dowager Marchioness of Normanby, 2-Barr Kiss 5 - R Danforth, 3-Atley Hill Lagace Pamela - D Alderson

Production Heifer - 1-Moathouse Melody - R Danforth, 2-Tontine Tig Mar - I Hutchinson, 3-Bailiffscourt Hortense 275 - Dowager Marchioness of Normanby

Butterfat & Protein - 1-Marleycote Fawn 2 - R Baynes, 2-Atleyhill Lagace Pamela - D Alderson, 3-Bailiffscourt Hortense 267 - Dowager Marchioness of Normanby

Cell Count - R Danforth
Bactoscan - Dowager Marchioness of Normanby
Bull Progeny- Hilltown Hijack - Dowager Marchioness of Normanby
Individual Cow - Bailiffscourt Hortense 267 - Dowager Marchioness of Normanby
Individual Heifer - Moathouse Brazen Jessie - R Danforth
Overall Points - Dowager Marchioness of Normanby
Stock Judging - Men - T Eddon, Ladies - B Moorhouse, Junior - Mia Waterhouse
Highest Placed N E Ayrshire at the G.Y.S. - R Baynes
Group Winner at the G.Y.S. - R Baynes
Champion Calf at the Calf Show - R Baynes
Champion Handler at the Calf Show - 1-Anna Waterhouse

We are welcoming Mr John Watson from Stranraer to judge the Ayrshires at the Great Yorkshire Show on the 14th-16th July. If anyone is intending on entering, please do so as soon as schedules come out as this show is growing more and more in popularity every year, and they take entries on a first come first served basis. The All Breeds Calf Show will be held on the 30th August at Thirsk Livestock Market.

Ulster

It is hard to believe Spring is just upon us and it is lovely to see the days lengthen, hopefully paving the way for better weather. Back in November we had our big social evening of the year - our annual dinner and prizegiving at the Adair Arms Hotel, Ballymena. We were delighted to welcome Willie and Ann Whiteford as our guests of honour, with Willie giving a most interesting talk and Ann kindly presenting the prizes. The top prizes for the small and large herds of the year went to M King (Kirkinrola) and J Suffern (Ravenhill) respectively, with John and Caroline Suffern's Ravenhill herd taking the overall title. It was good to see a new face in the prize mix, and hope it is the start of many for the King family. After a delicious dinner washed down with the odd glass of wine, it was time to take to the dance floor. In the midst of the revelry we had our auction for a calf, which this year was kindly donated by Philip Kelly, and, thanks to Trevor Brown's expert auctioneering skills was knocked down to William Weatherup, who no doubt will have it well halter trained for the summer shows! Wilby Williamson then took over the gavel and (again expertly) auctioned off the items kindly donated to us by various supporters of the Club. The auction certainly added to the fun of the evening.

The Winter Fair then loomed, and it was back to the more serious business in hand! It is always a most enjoyable and well attended event, but every year is becoming more competitive and classes are hotly contested. The top honours this year went to Marleycote Sea Lily 14 from M/s Cromie & McLean, with Ardmore Miranda from J & M Hunter in the Reserve position. Honourable Mention went to new Winter Fair exhibitor, C Keenan with his heifer in milk, Cuthill Towers Rambo Rusty, congratulations to all.

We recently had our first club meeting of 2015, and were delighted to welcome J Woods of Genus ABS who spoke about their RMS programme and cow fertility, also giving lots of sound advice about AI techniques. All agreed it was really interesting and everyone learned something. Our next club outing is being held at the beginning of March and will comprise a tour of Greenmount Agricultural College's new, state

of the art dairy unit, it is a fantastic set up and well worth a visit. Sadly the club has recently lost three good friends in Maureen Duncan, William Currie and Ian Duncan. Maureen was the wife of our longstanding and esteemed member, Fred and mother of Roger, Robert and Helen. William Currie farmed with his brother, Club Member, George at Magheralane, Randalstown. Ian Duncan was living in Scotland but farmed at Lennymore, Crumlin for many years. We extend our sympathies to both families on their sad loss. The club also wish to pass on condolences to our good friend Brian Hunter and his sons whose wife and mother Roberta sadly passed away. On a happier note, we would to congratulate Claire Hunter on her recent engagement to Philip Somerville and wish them both every happiness together.

Wigtownshire



The prizewinners are pictured above; L-R S McColm, Garthland Mains, W Stevenson, Kirminnoch, M Service, Chairman, H Howie, Wellhouse and C Service, Moorpark. Missing from the picture is J Watson, High Mark

The club recently held its annual dinner and dance and prizegiving in the Rugby Club, Stranraer. The results from the competitions were as follows. **Spring Herds, Judge - R Armstrong, Plaskett Lands**

John K Fisher Trophy - Best Individual Cow - 1 - Stevenson's Linzi 2 - Kirminnoch, 2-Craillloch Nirvana - Craillloch, 3-Culroy Little Dororthy - Culroy

McKitterick Trophy - 50,000 kg Cow - 1-Carsenaw Eunice 89 - Moorpark, 2-Barr Sandy Rose 15 - High Mark, 3-Colfin Quink 13 - Colfin

Archibald Stevenson Trophy - Best Herd - 1-Garthland Mains, 2-Fineview, 3-Craillloch

Autumn Herds, Judge - Alex Kirkpatrick, Barr

McWilliam Trophy - Best Individual Heifer - 1 - Stevenson's Buttercup 73 - Kirminnoch, 2-Wellhouse Robbo Geordie Girl - Wellhouse, 3-Culroy

Minsups Trophy - Dry Cow - 1-High Mark Jurist Melanie - High Mark, 2-Carsenaw Tulip 38 - Moorpark, 3-Changue Melanie 200 - Fineview

James Hair Salver - 18kg Cow - 1-Garthland Peach - Garthland Mains, 2-Stevenson's Linzi 2 - Kirminnoch, 3-Carsenaw Eunice 34 - Moorpark

John McColm Trophy - Progeny Team - 1-Muirston Trump Card - Kirminnoch, 2-Lagace Ristourn - Fineview, 3-Garthland Glorious - Garthland Mains

Culgrange Shield - Mother & Daughter - 1-Wellhouse Geordie Girl 4 & Wellhouse Robbo Geordie Girl - Wellhouse, 2-High Balyett Ivy 52 & Fineview Magic Ivy 2 - Fineview, 3-Colfin Oleria 4 & Colfin Oleria 7 - Colfin

The Wellhouse Trophy - best herd- open to any breed, was won by - 1-Kirminnoch, 2-Colfin, 3-High Boreland (Brown Swiss/Holstein)

Our thanks must go to sponsors Semex and NFU Mutual for generously donating the prizes for the competition.

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Not Show Winners, But Bill Payers!



Ravenhill

Tulip 26

EX 94 7E

11 Lactations:
115,411 kgs
Due to Trident

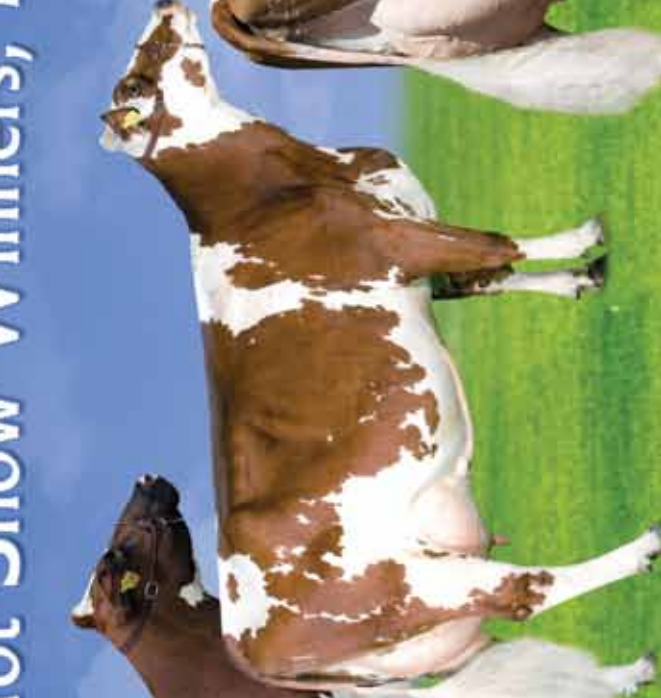


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Ethel 393

EX 94 4E

6 Lactations - 60,197 kgs
Due to Ravenhill Stormin Norman
R. Champ. Winter Fair '11
Dam: R. Ethel 200 EX 92 4E 8 stars 100 tons
Sisters: R. Ethel 245 EX 92 5E 100 tons
R. Ethel 273 EX 90 80 tons
R. Ethel 394 EX 91 2E - rec. @ 70.6 kgs daily



Ravenhill

Ethel 350

VG 88

1st All Britain Junior Cow 2007
7 lactations: 83,615 kgs
Dam & Grand Dam both 80 tons
Due to Rosehill Vitality



Ravenhill

Ethel 382

EX 93 4E

Dam of Stormin Norman
6 lactations: 80,291 kgs
Due to Burdette

Images by Jane Steel

Last two classification visits : 34 EX and 36 VG

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