

SIMMENTAL

CARLISLE APRIL SALE



CORSKIE HADDEN 16 - Top price bull & Overall Male Champion, bred by Mr W J & J Green, sold for 3800gns, commercially – North Yorkshire



CHESTERMANN HORATIO 16 - Joint Top price bull, bred by N & N Gwynne, sold for 3800gns, commercially – Scotland



CHESTERMANN HAROLD 16 - Second Top price bull & Reserve Overall Male Champion, bred by N & N Gwynne, sold for 3400gns, commercially - Scotland

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LEADING LADIES



NEWBIEMAINS IZZIE - Top price female, bred by Jim & Patricia Goldie, sold for 6200gns to Mr R McCulloch (Overhill House)



OVERHILL HOUSE INDI - Second top price female, bred by Mr R McCulloch, sold for 6000gns to Jim & Patricia Goldie (Newbiemains)

STIRLING MAY SALE



KERSKNOWE HEIRLOOM 16 - Top price bull, bred by Mr J Jeffrey, sold for 6500gns, commercially - Scotland



ISLAVALE HANDY 16 - Second top price bull, bred by Mr W S Stronach, sold for 6200gns, commercially - Scotland

WORCESTER SALE



WROXALL HAPPY CHAPPY 16 - Top price bull, bred by C H Evans & Son, sold for 5000gns to Mr C M Mercer (Bowley)

STORERSMITH HEART-THROB 16 - Second top price bull, bred by Mr & Mrs R & L Storer Smith, sold for 3700gns, commercially - Kent

UPCOMING EVENTS AND SALES

21st - 23rd October Stirling Bull Sales, United Auctions.

Dispersal of the Mendick Herd, on behalf of Mr J Dykes - 32 Cows/Heifers with calves at foot - to be held at United Auctions 21st - 23rd October 2018

ROYAL ULSTER SHOW



RANFURLY IMPECCABLE I4 17 - Male, Junior & Overall Champion, bred by Mr W D Hazelton



CLEENAGH IVY - Female, Reserve Junior & Reserve Overall Champion, bred by Mr L A Richardson exhibited by Mr T W Abraham

ROYAL HIGHLAND SHOW



BLACKFORD GALAXY 15 - Best Bull & Breeder of Best Bull & Overall Champion, bred by Mr W G MacPherson (A Firm) exhibited by Mr M A Barlow



PITMUDIE HAVANA - Best Female & Best Animal bred by Exhibitor & Reserve Overall Champion, bred by Heather Duff

ENGLISH NATIONAL SHOW – GREAT YORKSHIRE SHOW



POPES RHONA - Female & Overall Champion, bred by M/S J H & V G Wood



CURAHEEN DRIFTER - Male & Reserve Overall Champion, exhibited by Mr R McCulloch

ROYAL WELSH SHOW



STERLING PETRAS CAIRO - Female & Overall Champion, exhibited by Mr & Mrs PB & JA Borlase.



BLACKFORD GALAXY 15 - Male & Reserve Overall Champion, bred by Mr W G MacPherson (A Firm) exhibited by Mr M Barlow

OFFICE UPDATES & REMINDERS

SOCIETY SALES - For many years now we have been stating that health declarations and DNA need to be in at the office by the closing date of the sale and still we have to spend time chasing these. It has been said before that anything received after 5 days of the closing date will automatically be rejected. Although we have continued to be as flexible as possible in the past and allowing late offenders to still attend the sales. With immediate effect, we can no longer be as accommodating as we have been. Since the rule has been bought in that all health declarations will have to be verified with the individual health scheme we do simply not have the time or the resources to allow the situation to continue. Please bear this in mind when entering Society sales

PRIVATE TRANSFERS - Vendors/Purchasers please ensure that the back of the pedigree of the animal being sold has been signed and dated, including any service information.

GDPR - If you haven't done so already, please can you send back your data protection form at your earliest convenience, failure to do so will mean your details will be no longer be visible on the on-line database or published in any shows/sale report/social media. If you require a copy of the form, please contact the Society office.

COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Simon Key (England) and John Moore (Northern Ireland) are both up for re-election this year.

SOCIETY AGM

The Society AGM will be held on Monday 22nd October 2018 at 9.30am in the Lomond Suite at United Auctions, Stirling.

COUNCIL UPDATES

- Office Move – Negotiations are in place with the Charolais Cattle Society with a view to moving into their ground floor offices in December 2019. The building will be called the Cattle Pavilion.
- Farmstay- to ensure our own office staff are fully utilised we are currently carrying out administration services for our tenants, it is hoped this will become a permanent arrangement.
- 50th Anniversary – discussions are taking place to celebrate the Breed's 50th Anniversary at Carlisle over the weekend of 31st July in 2020, it is proposed that there will be a show, incorporating the English, Welsh and Scottish National shows followed by a Leading Ladies sale in Carlisle in July 2020. There will be a dinner and it is planned to have some herd tours prior to the event.
- It is recommended when registering progeny, 1st calved heifers should be parent verified. It is likely that this will become compulsory in the future, it is imperative that members check sire/dam status of any animal they are not 100% sure about parentage, otherwise it could be a very costly situation in the future if the animals are sold prior to any errors being identified.
- The Elite Cow status is being replaced and will now be called Golden Cow, the Elite cow criteria will remain the same but to become a Golden Cow, the cow must also be classified excellent.
- Northern Ireland will now have a Society sale in the spring. The Society sale will follow all other Society sales rules and Gareth Boyes will carry out the inspection.
- Semen Testing – to claim your £50+VAT towards the cost of semen testing for Society Sales, a copy of the test certificate must be at the market with the bull's passport and a copy of the test certificate sent to the Society office. All claims must be made within the same financial year.
- Genomics- The Society are continually following progress with genomics; our present method of DNA analysis is the micro-satellite process which unfortunately doesn't measure enough individual markers to allow for genotyping. We have received quotes to convert most of our stock bulls to SNP's analysis which would allow further advances in genomics in the future, the cost of this is in excess of 40K and it is felt not to be justified at this time. There are some myths surrounding genomics and it has to be noted that a huge amount of raw data is required in order for genomics to be even partially accurate.
- Society Sales – from September 2019 there will be an Autumn Society sale at Worcester, this will ensure we have an Autumn Sale in England and the Spring Sale at Worcester remains as normal, discussions are taking place with H&H around the structure and dates of next year Spring Sales and Leading Ladies, dates will be confirmed asap. Newark Spring Sale will continue as normal.
- National Show judges – it was agreed, moving forward, judges for the National shows will be proposed/ approved by Council.
- Sire error - Shacon Hannibal.
It has come to light there has been an administration error with the parentage of Shacon Hannibal, his sire is Kilbride Farm Delboy and not Hillcrest Champion as first reported.

SIMMENTAL ANNUAL REVIEW 2018

We would love to be able to get the 2018 Annual Review out to the membership in time for Christmas but to do this we need your help! **All adverts/club reports etc will need to be signed off no later than the 16th November**, so please can you ensure that the office has everything well ahead of this date.



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