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Dear Member,

If you are struggling to find time to read this newsletter, please do not cast it aside until you have read about the opportunity to **DNA test females for myostatin**. There is a big initial discount available to us from Merial, and it will be apportioned on a first come, first served basis. For more information please see inside.

Also not to be missed is the latest news on events at the Royal Cornwall Show, which is hosting our first annual National Show of South Devons. It promises to be a spectacular occasion, with plenty to do and see, and big classes of quality cattle. As part of the National Show will be the Townergate Lloyd & Whyte Young Handler Competition on the second day of the show - an entry form is at the end of this newsletter. Being attached to the National Show, the Competition now becomes an even more prestigious event!

The Midland Club's Sale was another success in their history, clearly defining the need to prepare and bring forward carefully selected stock. Standards

have risen again, which is a necessity if the breed is to continue to advance and rise in value.

A new Club has had its first meeting, thanks to a bunch of enthusiastic breeders in East Anglia, and will be called "the 22 Club". A first farm walk is already planned, and the Club is inviting Society members along - please support if you can.

The Journal has now been published and is available for you to collect from us wherever our paths might cross in the next few weeks. Otherwise copies will be posted in July.

My best wishes to you all,

Caroline

MIDLAND CLUB SALE

1ST MAY AT STRATFORD UPON AVON

Judge: Peter Rowe, Trewint, Menheniot, Cornwall

Auctioneers: Messrs Kivells

THE SHOW

BULLS

Class 1a

1 st	A & P Rickett	JUNIPER IMPERIAL
2 nd	Mr J P Harrison	BRAFFERTON HADRIAN 7
3 rd	Northwick Estate	NORTHWICK CLAUDIUS 14

Class 1b

1 st	Mr A R Lee	LUMBYLAW MAGNUS 25
2 nd	Mr J P Harrison	BRAFFERTON TROOPER 11
3 rd	Mr A R Lee	LUMBYLAW LEO 56

Class 1c

1 st	W J Wright & Son	OXEY STARBUSTER 3
2 nd	Mr J White	EDMESTON ZODIAC 2
3 rd	Mr R A Ford	GOFFE CAVE STURDY 8 (T)

Male Champion (Thomas Brayne Cup)

Winner	Mr A R Lee	LUMBYLAW MAGNUS 25
Res	A & P Rickett	JUNIPER IMPERIAL

FEMALES

Heifers born in 2008 (David Phillips Memorial Trophy)

1 st	J R Bastard & Son	TREGADA HOLLY 40
2 nd	Mr J P Harrison	BRAFFERTON DORA 7
3 rd	Mr B Kingham	ALDBOURNE CHASE DORA 43

Heifers born in 2009 (Cholwells Cup)

1 st	A & P Rickett	JUNIPER JARRAH
2 nd	Mr J P Harrison	X BRAFFERTON BUTTERCUP 60
3 rd	M & S Kettlewell	UPPER NORTON LAVENDER

PRIMESTOCK (Hollygate Trophy)

1 st	Mr J P Harrison	BRAFFERTON TROOPER 12 (T)
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BREED CHAMPION (championship rosette)

Winner	Mr A R Lee	LUMBYLAW MAGNUS 25
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THE SALE

BULLS

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Bull</u>	<u>Purchaser</u>	<u>Gns</u>
J P Harrison	Brafferton Hadrian 7	Saywards Ltd, Brooklyn House, Whilton Knocks, Daventry, Northants	1900
Northwick Estate	Northwick Claudius 14	C Warner, Storesbrook, Rhealay, Ledbury, Herefordshire	1500
A & P Rickett	Juniper Imperial	M E & T E Broome, Manor Farm, Thorpe Langton, Leicestershire	2700
J P Harrison	Brafferton Trooper 11	P D & D M Hopcraft, Limes Farm, Newnham, Daventry, Northants	2050
Portman Burtley Est	Al Portman Burtley Joe Louis	R B Cox & Son, Lovells Court Farm, Hildon Waldrist, Faringdon, Oxon	1500
W J Wright & Son	Z Oxy Landmark 4	R J Hopkins, Folly Farm, Lacock, Chippenham, Wiltshire	1500
Portman Burtley Est	Portman Burtley Flash 2	R W J Fenemore & Son, Manor Grove, Tingewick, Buckinghamshire	1450
A R Lee	Lumbylaw Magnus 25	M & M Rushbrooke, Brettles Farm, Shatterford, Bewdley, Worcs	6200
A R Lee	Lumbylaw Leo 56	Douganhill Farms, Orchardton Mains, Castle Douglas, Scotland	2500
W J Wright & Son	Oxy Starbuster 3	C W Jackson, Orwell Pit Farm, Downham Rd, Ely, Cambridgeshire	3000
J White	Edmeston Zodiac 2	A R Lee, Lumbylaw Farm, Edlingham, Alnwick, Northumberland	3000
R A Ford	Goffe Cave Sturdy 8 (T)	D Nixey, Spencers Farm, Tetsworth, Oxfordshire	2000
M E & T E Broome	Welland Valley Tobias 3	A L Phillips, Crawless Farm, Berkeley, Gloucestershire	2000

13 bulls sold, average 2408 guineas (£2528)

FEMALES

HALTER BROKEN HEIFERS BORN IN 2008

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Heifer</u>	<u>Purchaser</u>	<u>Gns</u>
J P Harrison	Brafferton Juniper 6	K Finch, Filbert Lodge Farm, Yelvertoft Rd, Crick, Northants	1400
M & S Kettlewell	Al Upper Norton Kadenza	D Holt, Dane Spring Farm, Bower Heath Lane, Harpenden, Herts	1900
J P Harrison	Brafferton Dora 7	Bredon School, Pull Court, Bushley, Tewkesbury, Gloucestershire	1150
Northwick Estate	Northwick Marigold 6	D Holt, Dane Spring Farm, Bower Heath Lane, Harpenden, Herts	2800
J R Bastard & Son	Tregada Holly 40	I Howard, Hough Park Farm, Pinfold Lane, Bradley, Ashbourne, Derbys	2850
C Page	Coton Venus 9	C N Stevens & Sons, Sowbrook Farm, Dale Abbey, Derbyshire	1400
C Page	Coton Pansy 4	I Howard, Hough Park Farm, Pinfold Lane, Bradley, Ashbourne, Derbys	1100
J R Bastard & Son	Tregada Fiona 15	I Howard, Hough Park Farm, Pinfold Lane, Bradley, Ashbourne, Derbys	2050
M & M Rushbrooke	Brettles SAS Primrose 24	A Foulds, Elveden Livestock Ltd, Elveden Estate, Thetford, Norfolk	1450
M & M Rushbrooke	Brettles SAS Gypsy Queen 5	A Foulds, Elveden Livestock Ltd, Elveden Estate, Thetford, Norfolk	1250
J P Harrison	Brafferton Stella 31	A Foulds, Elveden Livestock Ltd, Elveden Estate, Thetford, Norfolk	1020
J P Harrison	Brafferton Stella 32	C R Harris, 2 Sand Pit Cottage, Croft Rd, Thurlaston, Leicestershire	1020
D Nixey	Chiltern & Haddenham Primrose 1/08	B Pike, Little Croft, Front St, East Garston, Berkshire	950

D Nixey	Chiltern & Haddenham Flame 3/08	B Pike, Little Croft, Front St, East Garston, Berkshire	1150
B Kingham	Aldbourne Chase Penjenny 2	Major C A R Lockhart, Highash, Toshingham, Whitchurch, Shropshire	1600
B Kingham	Aldbourne Chase Buttercup 50	A Foulds, Elveden Livestock Ltd, Elveden Estate, Thetford, Norfolk	1300
B Kingham	Aldbourne Chase Dora 43	Major C A R Lockhart, Highash, Toshingham, Whitchurch, Shropshire	1650
B Kingham	Aldbourne Chase Hawthorn 47	W A Bowley & Sons, Westfield Farm, Earl Shilton, Leicestershire	1600
B Kingham	Aldbourne Chase Golden 40	C N Stevens & Sons, Sowbrooke Farm, Dale Abbey, Leicestershire	1550

19 halter-broken heifers born in 2008 sold, average 1536 guineas (£1613)

HALTER BROKEN HEIFERS BORN IN 2008

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Heifer</u>	<u>Purchaser</u>	<u>Gns</u>
J P Harrison	Brafferton Alice 2	Douganhill Farms, Orchardton Mains, Castle Douglas, Scotland	880
J P Harrison	X Brafferton Buttercup 60	I Howard, Hough Park Farm, Pinfold Lane, Bradley, Ashbourne, Derbys	1280
M E & T E Broome	Welland Valley Candy 17	W Pickford & Son, Newnton Dairy Farm, Brokenborough, Leics	950
A & P Rickett	Juniper Jacaranda	B Pike, Little Croft, Front St, East Garston, Berkshire	1220
A & P Rickett	Juniper Jarrah	I Howard, Hough Park Farm, Pinfold Lane, Bradley, Ashbourne, Derbys	1800
C Page	Coton Izzy 11	A Davies, Gro, Dolanog, Trallwng, Powys, Wales	1080
A & P Rickett	Juniper Jonquil	B Pike, Little Croft, Front St, East Garston, Berkshire	1380
M & S Kettlewell	Upper Norton Lavender	J R Darlington, Common Farm, Norbury, Whitchurch, Shropshire	1450

8 halter-broken heifers born in 2009 sold, average 1255 guineas (£1318)

NON HALTER BROKEN HEIFER BORN IN 2006 WITH CALF AT FOOT

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Heifer</u>	<u>Purchaser</u>	<u>Gns</u>
W H Sandford	Z Haughton SAS Daisy (T)	A Davies, Gro, Dolanog, Trallwng, Powys, Wales	1600

NON HALTER BROKEN HEIFERS BORN IN 2007

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Heifer</u>	<u>Purchaser</u>	<u>Gns</u>
Mr & Mrs S Carpenter	Woodgreen Daisy 12	T H Turner & Son, Cross Farm, Couchton, Alcester, Worcestershire	1600
Mr & Mrs S Carpenter	Lickhill Hyacinth	T H Turner & Son, Cross Farm, Couchton, Alcester, Worcestershire	1600

2 non halter-broken heifers born in 2007 sold, average 1600 guineas (£1680)

NON HALTER BROKEN HEIFERS BORN IN 2008

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Heifer</u>	<u>Purchaser</u>	<u>Gns</u>
W J Wright & Son	Oxey Amber 12 (B)	W Pickford & Son, Newnton Dairy Farm, Brokenborough, Leics	900
W J Wright & Son	Oxey Countess 55	W Pickford & Son, Newnton Dairy Farm, Brokenborough, Leics	920
W J Wright & Son	Oxey Linda 241	A Foulds, Elveden Livestock Ltd, Elveden Estate, Thetford, Norfolk	900
W J Wright & Son	Oxey Millie 325	A Foulds, Elveden Livestock Ltd, Elveden Estate, Thetford, Norfolk	900
W J Wright & Son	Oxey Katie 151	W Pickford & Son, Newnton Dairy Farm, Brokenborough, Leics	900
Mr & Mrs S Carpenter	Woodgreen Mary 2	I Howard, Hough Park Farm, Pinfold Lane, Bradley, Ashbourne, Leics	1300
Mr & Mrs S Carpenter	Lickhill Pearl 2	R Ellis, New Manor Farm, Welsh Rd, Cubbington, Warwickshire	675
Mr & Mrs S Carpenter	Lickhill Pride 2	T H Turner & Son, Cross Farm, Couchton, Alcester, Worcestershire	720
J R Bastard & Son	Tregada Fiona 14	A Foulds, Elveden Livestock Ltd, Elveden Estate, Thetford, Norfolk	1550
J R Bastard & Son	Tregada Pansy 46	N P Foster & Partners, Church Farm, Blakesley, Towcester, Northants	1780
J R Bastard & Son	Tregada Darky 4	A Foulds, Elveden Livestock Ltd, Elveden Estate, Thetford, Norfolk	1580
J R Bastard & Son	Tregada Holly 43	A W Kirkham, Highfields Farm, Mill Lane, Blaby, Leicestershire	1750
M E & T E Broome	Welland Valley Nancy 3	W Pickford & Son, Newnton Dairy Farm, Brokenborough, Leics	920

13 non halter-broken heifers born in 2008 sold, average 1138 guineas (£1195)

NON HALTER BROKEN HEIFERS BORN IN 2009

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Heifer</u>	<u>Purchaser</u>	<u>Gns</u>
Mr & Mrs S Carpenter	Lickhill Princess 2	R Hadley, 1 Long Field Bungalow, Chesterton, Leamington Spa, Warwicks	600
Mr & Mrs S Carpenter	Lickhill Cherry 3	W J & G M Chesters, Whitegates Farm, Nomansheath, Malpas, Cheshire	720
Mr & Mrs S Carpenter	Lickhill Buttercup	W J & G M Chesters, Whitegates Farm, Nomansheath, Malpas, Cheshire	650
Mr & Mrs S Carpenter	Lickhill Buttercup 2	R Seaward, Symonds Farm, Silverton, Exeter, Devon	600

4 non halter-broken heifers born in 2009 sold, average 643 guineas (£675)

PRIMESTOCK

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Heifer</u>	<u>Purchaser</u>	<u>Gns</u>
J P Harrison	Brafferton Trooper 12 (T)	H A East, Corner Farm, Kirtlington, Oxfordshire	750
C Page	Coton Zephyr 8 (T)	R Ellis, New Manor Farm, Welsh Road, Cubbington, Warwickshire	650
M E & T E Broome	Welland Valley Nancy May (T)	R Ellis, New Manor Farm, Welsh Road, Cubbington, Warwickshire	600
M E & T E Broome	Welland Valley Nancy Rose (T)	R Ellis, New Manor Farm, Welsh Road, Cubbington, Warwickshire	760
Mrs K Darnbrook	Cleughside Rocket	R Seaward, Symonds Farm, Silverton, Exeter, Devon	710

5 primestock sold, average 694 guineas (£729)

SALE REPORT

The bulls this year were of a higher standard than last year, but 2 bulls were rejected, one for testicles under size, and one for an overshot mouth. This year a minimum weight for age was introduced for bulls and being the first year a good leeway was allowed. If no leeway had been allowed 3 bulls would have been underweight (and rejected), and 3 other bulls only just made the weight. Next year there will be no leeway as the Club continues to raise the bar for standards.

The quality of females was the best for several years with only 2 rejected, one for an overshot jaw, and one for warts. On inspection it was noticed that white was evident on a smaller number of heifers than last year but was on a larger scale.

It is advised that management jobs are done well in advance of the sale. Vendors are asked that at all sales they make themselves and their cattle ready for the inspection as a priority, to help with the smooth running and to allow the inspectors to leave at a reasonable time of day.

Duncan Findlay, MRCVS, (veterinary inspector) & Richard Hartshorn (frame scores)

NATIONAL SHOW **Royal Cornwall Show, 10th-12th June**

All records have been broken! A total of 119 stalls have been booked, with a total of 29 exhibitors, some coming from as far as Scotland, Yorkshire, Leicestershire, and the Midlands to compete with their fellow breeders in the West Country. Thank you to all those who are supporting this first National Show, which will be a great spectacle for the breed.

Thank you to our sponsors to date, namely:

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National Show merchandise

Debbie is taking orders for specially commissioned polo shirts for the National Show, which are black, and bear a National Show embroidered badge. There are also a limited number of National Show 2010 'pins' (brooches).

Best Hat and Best Dressed Competitions

Come dressed for the occasion! Competitions will run throughout the Show, and the judge's decisions will be announced on the Saturday.

National Show raffle

A special prize is being donated by each of our seven regions, and we would also welcome any other prize donations. Draw tickets will be printed a bit nearer the time, and will be on sale before and during the show. The Draw will be made on Saturday 12th June.

Young Handler Competition

If you have a youngster in the family aged between 16 and 25 please encourage them to enter this Competition and have a chance of winning £400 towards an overseas trip. Sons/daughters of employees are also eligible to enter. See the back of this newsletter.

Social Evening

Roger & Rose Clemens have very kindly offered to host a Social Evening at St Ervan on the Friday evening at 7 pm, for Society and Truro Club members, and guests. Caterers will provide hot beef rolls with salads, and strawberries and cream, and drinks will be available. The cost will be £6 per person and bookings are now being taken by the SDHBS office. Please let us know by Friday 4th June if you would like to come along.

Cornish Cream Tea Reception

A reception to be hosted by the Society will be held in the President's Marquee at 4 pm on Thursday, and bookings need to be made with the office for catering purposes. We have invited our Patron, although we shall not know until nearer the time whether his itinerary will permit him to join us.

National Show 2011

The venue for the 2011 National Show will be the Royal Norfolk Show, and the organisers are looking forward to welcoming us there. This year South Devon entries at the show total about 50 - well up on previous years, so we look forward to a bumper year in 2011.

LAUNCH OF THE "22 CLUB"

The administrative structure of the Society being based regionally inevitably means that some of the regions are more geographically widespread, which is a big hindrance to regular meetings and functions. However, the formation of Clubs - such as in the Midlands - serves the purpose of bringing breeders together without having to respect regional boundaries.

Region 5 is a case in point - it runs from Oxfordshire in the west, to Norfolk in the east, and unsurprisingly there is little enthusiasm for travelling several miles to a meeting. So a number of breeders in East Anglia, with the Society's backing, floated the idea of a Club and the inaugural meeting was held recently. As a result, the "22 Club" has been formed. The name denotes the first two digits of the herd prefix in Norfolk and Suffolk, although membership is open to anyone who is interested, however distant they may be.

The principal objectives are to provide mutual support, to exchange ideas, and to meet 2 or 3 times each year. Exhibiting at shows can also more easily be coordinated.

The elected Chairman is Mr Clive Salmon (Malthouse Livestock herd), and the Secretary is Mr Andrew Foulds (Elveden Livestock herd)

The first such meeting is scheduled to take place on Tuesday 6th July, by kind invitation of the Hood family, Woodbastwick herd, Heath Farms, Wotton, Norfolk, and the Salmon family, Malthouse Livestock herd, Ranworth, Norfolk. Both herds are run on the marshes, below sea-level, during the summer months. The "walk" will be hosted by the 22 Club, and is open to members of the Society. If you would like to attend, please let the office know.

FORTHCOMING SALES

CORNISH SOUTH DEVON CATTLE BREEDERS FAIR

Friday 14th May at Hallworthy Market, Camelford, Cornwall at 1 pm

14 Pedigree Bulls including entries from the following herds: Beakaveans, Bedford, Colcharton, Highgate, Hillson, Kestle, Tregondale, Trevean, Trewint & Woodhayes; 46 Pedigree Heifers, 3 Pedigree Cows with calves at foot, 3 Pedigree In Calf Cows and 18 Pure and Cross bred steers & heifers

CARLISLE SOUTH DEVON SALE

Friday 21st May at Borderway Mart, Carlisle, show at 9 am, sale at 11 am

4 pedigree bulls from the Lumbylaw and Arncliffe herds; 27 bulling & maiden heifers

SOUTH DEVON CATTLE BREEDERS CLUB SALE

Friday 28th May at Exeter Livestock Centre

Classes for maiden heifers, in-calf heifers, cows with calves, and bulls - pedigree and purebred

SEMEN AVAILABILITY

SOCIETY PROVEN BULL

We are very grateful to Douglas Scott, the breeder of Grove Bellerophon 3, for allowing us to acquire a stock of semen to offer to members who are relatively new to the breed. As supplies are limited, initial orders will be restricted to 10 straws per breeder. The price is just £5 per straw plus a distribution cost of £30 per despatch (plus VAT). Please contact the SDHBS office to place an order.

This is a great opportunity for new breeders to acquire some very sound genetics - without having to purchase the whole bull! Bellerophon has been used in three herds, with 83 progeny analysed by Breedplan, many of which are pedigree registered. Twenty-two of those progeny have also been scanned, and thus contributed to the carcass EBVs.

GROVE BELLEROPHON 3 - UK321658 400280 - born 06.01.2003

S.D.E. TRUMP 3 SDE-34

Sire - GROVE CHARLEMAGNE 19 UKEF0347-00259

GROVE CHERRY 9 EF347-9253

KESTLE JETHRO T1594-9328

Dam - KESTLE BUTTERMAID 31 UKT1594-00161

KESTLE BUTTERMAID 11 T1594-9212

January 2010 Breedplan EBVs

Trait	EBV	Accuracy	Breed Avg
Calving Ease Direct (%)	+7.2	74%	-0.4
Calving Ease Daughters (%)	-3.5	58%	+1.0
Gestation Length (days)	+0.5	84%	+0.4
Birth Weight (kg)	+2.7	92%	+1.3
200 Day Weight (kg)	+26	89%	+16
400 Day Weight (kg)	+43	86%	+30
600 Day Weight (kg)	+49	79%	+38
Milk (kg)	+3	55%	+3

Scrotal Size (cm)	-0.8	53%	+0.3
Carcase Weight (kg)	+35	72%	+24
Eye Muscle Area (cm ²)	+3.6	55%	+1.9
Rib Fat (mm)	-0.3	68%	0.0
Retail Beef Yield (%)	+0.8	66%	+0.2
Intramuscular Fat (%)	+0.2	57%	-0.1
QUALITY BEEF INDEX	+22		+12

Myostatin Status: 0

PROMISING YOUNG BULL **SPONSORED BY EBLEX**

Semen from the recently collected Promising Young Bull, Z AI Woodhayes Illya 12, has now been released for distribution.

This is an opportunity for members to acquire polled genetics from the Woodhayes herd. The bull was the winner of the Thornton Cup (best animal on inspection and performance) and the Polled Cup at the 2009 Spring Show & Sale. We are grateful to the owners, Mr & Mrs Marks from Minard Farms, Polbathic, Cornwall, for allowing us to collect semen.

It is available through the Society at a launch price of £5 per straw, plus a distribution charge of £30 per despatch (plus VAT). An allocation of ten free straws per performance recording member is ready to be claimed.

Z AI WOODHAYES ILLYA 12 UK361609 700116 - born 10.01.2007

Z PAPER MILL SAFFRON G8388-9304

Sire - Z CILGWRRWG ILLYA UKFV0180-00017

CILGWRRWG FRUHLING FV180-9406

GROVE CHARLEMAGNE 5 EF347-9206

Dam - WOODHAYES DAFFODIL 6 UKV7403-00106

WOODHAYES DAFFODIL 2 V7403-A001

January 2010 Breedplan EBVs

Trait	EBV	Accuracy	Breed Avg
Calving Ease Direct (%)	+0.5	55%	-0.4
Calving Ease Daughters (%)	-0.5	52%	+1.0
Gestation Length (days)	-1.6	67%	+0.4
Birth Weight (kg)	+3.0	69%	+1.3
200 Day Weight (kg)	+32	72%	+16
400 Day Weight (kg)	+60	70%	+30
600 Day Weight (kg)	+66	67%	+38
Milk (kg)	-2	58%	+3
QUALITY BEEF INDEX	+25		+12

Myostatin Status: 1 (nt821)

DAVID PHILLIPS MEMORIAL COMPETITION

With the new show season about to start, entries are invited to the David Phillips Memorial Competition. The Competition runs through any one calendar year, and Summer shows with individual South Devon classes qualify for the Competition. A minimum of two shows must be entered. There will be no maximum number of shows, and the two highest-scoring shows will count towards the final points.

Members, and relatives or employees of members, aged between 16 and 25 on the dates of their first and last shows will be eligible to enter the Competition. Cattle shown need not be the property of the Exhibitor, but must be prepared at the Show by the Exhibitor.

Entrants and exhibitors are invited to apply for Young Exhibitor cards from the SDHBS office in good time before shows are held, which must be handed to the South Devon judge of the classes *before judging begins*. The entrant should identify in which class he/she should be judged.

The judge will mark the Exhibitor with points out of ten, in each of three sections: exhibitor's personal presentation; presentation of the animal; competence in handling the animal. The judge will be encouraged to ask pertinent questions of the entrants.

The judge will be responsible for returning the completed cards to the SDHBS office as soon as possible after the show, and in any case by 31st December.

The Young Exhibitor's two highest scoring shows will count towards the winning prize of £200, and a Trophy will be presented at the AGM following the year in which the cattle were shown. In the event of a tie, the prize money will be shared equally among the winners. The winner of the 2009 Competition was Miss Emma Pascoe.

The Competition may be held for as many years as the David Phillips Memorial Fund allows. It may not be won by any one individual more than once.

DNA TESTING

Liz is currently 'sweeping up' some older hair samples - if you are awaiting the results of a test which seem overdue, please let her know.

TESTING FEMALES FOR MYOSTATIN STATUS

We have successfully negotiated with Merial the launch of myostatin testing for females, and invite breeders to request DNA kits for their herds. The standard charge will be £20 per female (plus VAT).

However, for a limited number of first applications, there will be a 50% reduction in the price, to £10 each (plus VAT). This will apply to the first 1110 samples we receive, which will be batched by us into three lots of 370 samples which will allow the laboratory to process more cheaply, (so there might be a slight delay in obtaining results depending when your samples arrive with us).

To make the offer as fair as possible, the price of £10 will be limited to a maximum of 20 females per herd, and will be administered on a first come, first served basis.

If you know the myostatin status of your females, you can add this information to your breeding plans now that it is compulsory for males to be tested for

myostatin at time of registration, and thus be as sure as science currently allows of the effect of myostatin in each match. Testing of females is voluntary.

NEW SCALE OF DNA TEST CHARGES

With the addition of a horn poll test and a feed efficiency test to their range, Merial have restructured their scale of charges, which offers all tests at discounted prices against their retail list. I hope this is explained clearly, as follows:

Parentage & myostatin (obligatory for bulls)

- cost of tests are incorporated within the pedigree registration fee

Parentage & myostatin PLUS HORN POLL at time of registration

- add £10 plus VAT to pedigree registration fee

Parentage & myostatin PLUS FEED EFFICIENCY at time of registration

- add £10 plus VAT to pedigree registration fee

Parentage & myostatin PLUS BEEF PROFILE at time of registration

- add £22 plus VAT to pedigree registration fee

Single tests for MYOSTATIN, HORN POLL, FEED EFFICIENCY or BEEF PROFILE

- £22 each plus VAT

Single test for PARENTAGE

- £17.50 each plus VAT

If you are unsure of any of the above, please contact Caroline.

COMPENSATION FOR BOVINE TB

Payable during May 2010

TO ENSURE THE BEST VALUE FOR YOUR CATTLE PLEASE CHECK THAT YOUR PEDIGREE REGISTRATIONS ARE UP TO DATE. IF YOU NEED ANY ASSISTANCE PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE.

NON PEDIGREE BOVINE

Male		Female	
Age	Compensation due	Age	Compensation due
Up to 3 months	220	Up to 3 months	179
Over 3 months up to 6 months	344	Over 3 months up to 6 months	318
Over 6 months up to 9 months	535	Over 6 months up to 9 months	455
Over 9 months up to 12 months	689	Over 9 months up to 12 months	587
Over 12 months up to 16 months	744	Over 12 months up to 16 months	645
Over 16 months up to 20 months	791	Over 16 months up to 20 months	706
20 months and over	867	20 months and over	776
Breeding bulls 20 months and over	1,201	Calved	935

PEDIGREE BOVINE

Male		Female	
Age	Compensation due	Age	Compensation due
6 months up to 12 months	1,868**	6 months up to 12 months	1,370
Over 12 months up to 24 months	4,582	Over 12 months up to 24 months	*
24 months and over	2,665	24 months and over (not calved)	1,609
		Calved under 36 months	2,129
		Calved 36 months and over	1,582

*Compensation to be determined using individual valuation

** Compensation to be determined using previously ascertained market price

DIARY

May	11th	Region 2 Breedplan meeting
	14th	Truro Club Sale, Hallworthy
	21st	Carlisle Sale
	27th	NBA Beef Expo, Hexham
	28th	SDCBC Sale, Exeter
June	10-12th	National Show, Wadebridge, Cornwall
July	6th	22 Club farm walk, Norfolk
September	7th	Council meeting
	14th	Welland Valley reduction sale
	29th	NBA Beef Southwest Event, Exeter
October	5th	Autumn Show & Sale

NEW MEMBERS

FULL

- Region 1 Mr I H Mann, Chynalls Farm, Trenear, Wendren, Helson, Cornwall
TR13 0ER *Prefix: TRENEAR*
F Screech & Son, Honiton Farm, South Petherwin, Launceston,
Cornwall, PL15 7LJ *Prefix: HONITON*
- Region 2 Mr B Partridge, Park Hill, Poughill, Crediton, Devon, EX17 4DJ
Prefix: COLLYLAND
Mr A Wotton, Muckwell Farm, North Hallsands, Kingsbridge, Devon
TQ7 2EW *Prefix: MUCKWELL*
- Region 3 J Hoskin & Sons, Maiden Castle Farm, Dorchester, Dorset, DT2
9PR *Prefix: TRELAWNE*
W L Pickford & Sons, Newnton Dairy Farm, Brokenborough,
Malmesbury, Wiltshire, SN16 9SR *Prefix: WHITEHEATH*
- Region 5 Mr K Finch, Filbert Lodge Farm, Yelvertoft Road, Crick, Northants
NN6 7TF *Prefix: PYTCHLEY*
W F & F J Hadley, Home Farm, Colne Engaine, Colchester, Essex
CO6 2HU *Prefix: COLNE PARK*
Mr J Gurney, Mount Mill Farm, Stratford Road, Wicken, Milton
Keynes, Beds, MK19 6DG *Prefix: KARONGWE*

- Region 6 Mr E & Mrs M Overall, Ashley Moor Farm, Ashley Moor, Orleton, Ludlow, Shropshire, SY8 4JJ *Prefix: ASHLEY MOOR*
 Mr R Davies, Llwyn Onn, 6 Bryn Rhydd, Ruthin, Denbighshire, Wales, LL15 1RL *Prefix: DRE GOCH*
- Region 7 Mrs J D Botham, Mill Lane Farm, Newport, Brough, Yorkshire
Prefix: COWBRIDGE
 Mr J Waring, Park Farm, Everingham, York, Yorkshire, YO42 4LD
Prefix: EVERINGHAM

INTRODUCTORY

- Region 1 Miss R M Northey, Smallacombe, Lifton, Launceston, Cornwall PL16 0EB *Introduced by Peter Rowe*
 Mr T J Lobb, Corran Farm, St Ewe, St Austell, Cornwall, PL26 6ER
Introduced by Peter Rowe
 Mr I Lobb, Lower Kestle Farm, St Ewe, St Austell, Cornwall, PL26 6EP *Introduced by Peter Rowe*
 Mr R Lobb, Higher Kestle Farm, St Ewe, St Austell, Cornwall, PL26 6EP *Introduced by Peter Rowe*
 Mr M Williams, Trelan Farm, Stithians, Cornwall, TR3 7BB
Introduced by Stephen Penrose
- Region 2 Mr D N & Mrs B M White, Milton Farm, Milton Lane, Dartmouth, Devon, TQ6 0LA *Introduced by Debbie Ferris*
- Region 5 Mr R Love, High Fenn Farm, Forth Drove, Gosberton, Cloth, Spalding, Lincs, PE11 4JZ *Introduced by Malcolm Broome*
- Region 7 Mr B Kaye, Culfargie Estates Ltd, Estate Office, Balbeggie, Perth, Scotland, PH2 6HL *Introduced by Paul Harrison*
 Mr A Kirkham, Highfields Farm, Mill Lane, Blaby, Leicestershire
Introduced by Malcolm Broome

RESIGNING

- Region 5 Mr H Hagger, 2 Grendon Road, Kingswood, Aylesbury, Bucks, HP18 0QU *Prefix: KINGSWOOD*

CATTLE FOR SALE

BULLS

Brettles SAS Red Ace UK302256 100006 Born 25/03/2001	D Armstrong (Aldbourne Chase) Wiltshire - Region 3	07786 543381
Higher Lanner Trump 3 UK383759 300138 Born 20/10/2001	G Wright Devon - Region 2	01363 777642

Court Farm Abraham 6 UK342397 700018 Born 10/02/2002	C J Rowe Cornwall - Region 1	07974 944683
Tregondale King Cole 15 UK383061 200197 Born 25/04/2002	Higher Hacknell Farm Devon - Region 2	07968 131030
Kislingbury Fieldsman UK202004 400083 Born 02/04/2003	R G Elliott & Son Northants - Region 5	07896 512107
Chiltern & Haddenham David Phillips UK283733 400217 Born 19/09/2003	D Nixey Oxfordshire - Region 5	07711 896318
AI Woodhayes Henry 2 UK361609 600116 Born 12/12/2004	Drs Dixon Devon - Region 2	01404 823930 (Nick Millman, manager)
Wydbury Goliath UK 241164 300422 Born 09/03/2007	E Noy Herts - Region 5	07812 137201
Wydbury Wonder Boy UK241164 400465 Born 24/12/2007	E Noy Herts - Region 5	07812 137201
Waterlane Cyril UK260354 600291 Born 27/12/2007	O A Reynolds Kent - Region 4	07885 802302
Ewefields Hayden UK202600 600220 Born 21/01/2008	T J Warhurst Oxfordshire - Region 5	01608 686238
Waterlane Delboy UK260354 300295 Born 29/01/2008	O A Reynolds Kent - Region 4	01580 754353
Glebe Gallant UK340654 600248 Born 01/03/2008	J Virgin Dorset - Region 3	01258 817171
Linscott Stardust 1 UK371751 500190 Born 15/03/2008	J Andrew Devon - Region 2	01271 858213
Linscott Stardust 2 UK371751 700275 Born 15/03/2008	J Andrew Devon - Region 2	01271 858213
Ewefields Hanbury UK202600 300238 Born 31/03/2008	T J Warhurst Oxfordshire - Region 5	01608 686238

Ewefields Hanbury 2 UK202600 500240 Born 01/04/2008	T J Warhurst Oxfordshire - Region 5	01608 686238
Homefields Apollo Storm UK201772 500019 Born 11/06/2008	J Townley & Son Northants - Region 5	01327 842297
Homefields Arianne St John UK201772 600020 Born 13/06/2008	J Townley & Son Northants - Region 5	01327 842297
Billington Arthur UK371751 100270 Born 28/06/2008	G K & M A Garrett & Son Devon - Region 2	01837 54348
Young bulls	Mr & Mrs R C Burrough & Sons Devon - Region 2	01404 881479
<u>FEMALES</u>		
15 bulling & 30 yearling heifers	D A Ashcroft Hampshire - Region 4	01420 511011
5 bulling heifers	A & R Good Cornwall - Region 1	07824 516780
4 in-calf cows	G K & M A Garrett & Son Devon - Region 2	01837 54348
Bulling heifers	J Andrew Devon - Region 2	01271 858213
4 2-yr old heifers	Sir Simon Day Devon - Region 2	07946 588676 (M Mitchell)
Chapple Nicole 7 UK361433 100046 Born 17/03/2003	D Minchington Devon - Region 2	07789 997693
Cilgwrrwg SAS Que UK304620 600112 Born 15/04/2005	A Davies Wales - Region 6	07887 803889
6 polled yearlings	S Frederick Kent - Region 4	01892 870926
30 bulling heifers	E Palmer Devon - Region 2	01548 560476
12 grading up heifers	N Cole Devon - Region 2	07812 901985
6 bulling heifers	P S Rowe Cornwall - Region 1	01579 347155
In-calf heifers	James Eustice Farms Cornwall - Region 1	01841 540398

AND FINALLY

AN OLD FARMERS ADVICE:

Life is simpler if you plough around the stump

Words that soak into your ears are whispered, not yelled

Forgive your enemies, it messes up their heads

Do not corner something that you know is meaner than you

Timing has a lot to do with the outcome of a rain dance

Always drink upstream from the herd

If you start thinking you're a person of some influence, try ordering somebody else's dog around

TOWERGATE LLOYD & WHYTE YOUNG HANDLER COMPETITION

At the National Show, Royal Cornwall Show

Friday 11th June at 4 pm, to be judged by Mark Thomas

Entries are invited from any Society member, from any Region, aged between 16 and 25 years of age on 11th June, as well as sons, daughters, grandsons, granddaughters or employees of members.

The object of the Competition is to identify future stockmen and stockwomen who can demonstrate an ability to prepare and exhibit cattle to a professional standard, and who can also demonstrate basic skills and knowledge of livestock breeding.

At the discretion of the Judge, the Competition may include any or all of the following:

- The preparation of an animal for showing (the animal will be supplied)
- Handling (control and exhibit an animal in a style that displays it in a positive manner, taking into consideration the safety of the handler and others)
- Assessment by placing a class of four animals, with justification, giving reasons using positive and descriptive terminology

The first prize will be a £400 contribution towards a trip abroad to see/assist with South Devon cattle. The winner will also receive a Showing Stick donated by the Society. Second and third prizes will be £50 and £25 respectively, plus a South Devon baseball cap and key-ring.

The winner will undertake to write a report for the Journal, or give a presentation about their travel experience to an Annual General Meeting.

If you wish to enter please would you complete the form at the back of the newsletter and return it to the Society office by **Friday 4th June**.

If there are fewer than 6 competitors entered by the closing date this Competition will not take place, and competitors will be informed before the Show date.

Reply Slip

LLOYD & WHYTE YOUNG HANDLER COMPETITION

I wish to enter the 2010 Young Handler Competition to be held on Friday 11th June at the Royal Cornwall Show

Name

Address

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.....Telephone no.

Date of birth

Eligibility criteria (eg daughter of member)

Signed

TO BE RETURNED TO SDHBS BY FRIDAY 4th JUNE