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Dear Member,

Just a short one this time, with a number of reminders for you to take note of before the Christmas newsletter in a few weeks time.

Thank you all for your continuing good wishes and patience during this time when I'm not running at full speed. I can now fully sympathise with anyone unfortunate enough to suffer a longish spell of poor health - it's very frustrating! If you need any urgent help, please let us know and we will do our best to assist you.

With my best wishes,

Caroline

COMPENSATION FOR BOVINE TB

Payable during November 2009

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	223	Up to 3 months	185
Over 3 months up to 6 months	473	Over 3 months up to 6 months	413
Over 6 months up to 9 months	597	Over 6 months up to 9 months	514
Over 9 months up to 12 months	677	Over 9 months up to 12 months	578
Over 12 months up to 16 months	732	Over 12 months up to 16 months	628
Over 16 months up to 20 months	801	Over 16 months up to 20 months	707
20 months and over	831	20 months and over	746
Breeding bulls 20 months and over	994	Calved	1,202

PEDIGREE BOVINE

Male		Female	
Age	Compensation due	Age	Compensation due
6 months up to 12 months	*	6 months up to 12 months	1,172
Over 12 months up to 24 months	4,305	Over 12 months up to 24 months	1,515
24 months and over	2,841	24 months and over (not calved)	1,757
		Calved under 36 months	1,644
		Calved 36 months and over	2,153

*Compensation to be determined using individual valuation

NBA PRIVATE WARRANTIES

As you are all aware, the Society's Sales are run under National Beef Association's Standard Terms and Conditions of Sale incorporating Bull Breeding Warranty and Female Breeding Warranties, and to the Auctioneers Conditions of Sale.

You may not be aware, though, that the NBA also offer Private Fertility Warranties, to cover private bull sales. These offer some protection to the vendor against any consequential loss.

They are available from the NBA office, 01434 601005, e-mail helen@nationalbeefassociation.com, at a discounted rate of 10 for £60, ie just £6 per bull sold privately.

EBLEX BETTER RETURNS PROGRAMME

EBLEX's BRP which has been excellent in producing easy to understand, sensible advice leaflets to the industry, as well as running a number of events over the past few years.

A series of "Live to Dead" days are being held in conjunction with abattoirs around the country, as follows:

Dunbia Sawley, Lancashire
Jaspers, Launceston, Cornwall
Elliott's, Derbyshire
Dawn Meats, Bedfordshire
Chitty's, Guildford, Surrey
Southern Counties, Somerset

For more information and to book a place, contact Heather at EBLEX, 0870 241 8829, e-mail brp@eblex.org.uk.

There is also a DVD available on Beef Selection and Cull Cows.

AgriLIVE SMITHFIELD

Well done to all those breeders who have picked up the promotional baton and entered animals for the re-vamped Smithfield Show at Stoneleigh on 11th/12th December.

We have entrants from Cornwall, Devon, Wiltshire, Buckinghamshire and Leicestershire, and the entries total 13 heifers and 9 steers.

Good luck to all, and I hope that plenty of members will find the time to visit the Show and support our exhibitors in this prestigious beef show. Entry to the event is free - a pleasant change!

We shall have a display on the NBA stand, along with other Breed Societies.

BCBC CONFERENCE

25th-27th January, Telford, Shropshire

I am told by Lesley Lewin, Secretary of BCBC, that bookings are coming in fast for next year's Conference which is being held with the theme "A Sustainable Breeding Future".

The Conference and gathering is always a great opportunity to "network" and meet people, as well as gain useful industry information, with a broad range of speakers.

More information from Lesley, 01409 241579, e-mail lesley.lewin@cattlebreeders.org.uk

SHROPSHIRE & WEST MIDLANDS SHOW

Very sadly, the Shropshire & West Midlands Agricultural Society have announced that they are put into voluntary liquidation.

The Show has been well supported in past years by South Devon exhibitors, and will be missed as an opportunity to promote the breed.

WILLS & INHERITANCE

I have been contacted by a researcher at the BBC about a new BBC2 series about wills and inheritance, which will feature families from across the UK.

Free legal help will be available for the selected families.

Obviously making a will is very important, no matter what a family's particular circumstances. If you don't leave a valid will, your estate becomes subject to Intestacy Laws which don't necessarily leave your family properly provided for (and of course incurs unnecessary solicitor fees!)

If you are interested please call Katy McGhie in confidence, tel 0207 861 8188, e-mail katy-mcghie@talkbackthames.tv.

JOHNES DISEASE

Please be aware that if you test for TB close to testing for Johnes, you might find that you get a false result for Johnes. Seek advice from your vet.

Once again the Welsh are ahead of the game, and are launching a scheme to encourage beef farmers to test their herds for Johnes by offering a financial incentive of £4 per animal for testing up to 100 head. To be eligible, farmers must be members of a licensed health scheme (such as Biobest Herdcare or Premium Cattle Health Scheme). More information on 01970 625050.

CATTLE FOR SALE LIST

SMALL HERD FOR SALE

Mr R W & Mrs S F Little

Higher Thorne Farm, Rackenford, Tiverton, Devon, EX16 8ED

Tel: 01884 881255

BULLS

Kestle Horatio 6 UK381722 100003 Born 09/04/00	J Rowe Cornwall - Region 1	01503 272766
Brettles SAS Red Ace UK302256 100006 Born 25/03/01	D Armstrong (Aldbourne Chase) Wiltshire - Region 3	07786 543381
Waddeton Hadrian 3 UK364027 500149 Born 08/07/01	R G Elliott & Son Northants - Region 5	07896 512107
Northwick General 8 UK321645 500106 Born 11/02/02	A H & E M Bartley Devon - Region 2	01884 38964
Kislingbury General UK202004 600148 Born 05/04/04	R G Elliott & Son Northants - Region 5	07896 512017
Woodbastwick Majestic 37 UK220573 200385 Born 22/02/07	Heath Farms Ltd Norfolk - Region 5	07782 298834
Wydbury Goliath UK241164 300422 Born 09/03/07	E Noy Herts - Region 5	07812 137201
Wydbury Wonder Boy UK241164 400465 Born 24/12/07	E Noy Herts - Region 5	07812 137201
Linscott Stardust 1 UK371751 500190 Born 15/03/08	J Andrew Devon - Region 2	01271 858213

Linscott Stardust 2 UK371751 700275 Born 29/03/08	J Andrew Devon - Region 2	01271 858213
Z Billington Donatello 26 UK371751 500190 Born 04/04/08	G K & M A Garrett & Son Devon - Region 2	01837 54348
Z Billington Donatello 37 UK371751 100221 Born 21/04/08	G K & M A Garrett & Son Devon - Region 2	01837 54348
Billington Donatello 38 UK371751 300223 Born 25/04/08	G K & M A Garrett & Son Devon - Region 2	01837 54348
Billington Donatello 49 UK371751 200250 Born 14/05/08	G K & M A Garrett & Son Devon - Region 2	01837 54348
Wydbury notified bull UK241164 400500 Born 09/06/08	E Noy Herts - Region 5	07812 137201
Young bulls	R C Burrough Devon - Region 2	01404 881479

FEMALES

25 bulling heifers	D Armstrong Wilts - Region 3	07786 543381
Bulling heifers	J Andrew Devon - Region 2	01271 858213
7 x 19 mth old heifers	Mrs D R Rusher Somerset - Region 3	01643 841427
10 x 18 mth old heifers	M R & R J Rowe Cornwall - Region 1	01579 342407
20 yearling heifers & 3 x 2-year old heifers	D A Ashcroft Hampshire - Region 4	01420 511011
Cows with calves	L E Walters & Son Devon - Region 2	01404 841403
8 x 18-21 mth old heifers	D Snook Avon - Region 3	01761 471872
12 bulling heifers	F & J Rowe Cornwall - Region 1	01503 272766