



GALLOWAY CATTLE SOCIETY SPRING NEWSLETTER 2022



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

After an unprecedented two years, the Society is delighted to have a full calendar of shows and events, we look forward to welcoming you to the following events:-

Friday 20th May— AGM— The Kings Arms Hotel, Castle Douglas at 1.30pm.

Notice is hereby given that the Hybrid Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held in the Kings Arms Hotel, Castle Douglas on Friday 20th May, 2022 commencing at 1.30pm. Full details from our Web Site or request a paper copy from the office.

Our Annual Accounts for year ending 31st December, 2021 are now available for download from our Web Site. If you would like to receive a paper copy of the Accounts, please contact the office.

Saturday 28th May—Beef Expo

brand new Darlington Farmers Auction Market, Humbleton Park, DL2 2YH.



The Society is being joined by premium online butcher Farmison & Co at the event this year. The aim of the collaboration is to help raise awareness of growing demand for high quality beef from native breeds. If you would like to help on the stand with free entry to the event, please contact the office. Please visit the stand for more information on our partnership with Farmison & Co and coffee/tea.

Thursday 23rd June to Sunday 26th June—Royal Highland Show 2022 Galloway judging— Afternoon on Thursday 23rd June.



Once again the Society will be represented at Scotland's premier event and with our marquee in prime position beside the cattle judging rings, it is the ideal place to watch the judging. We will be delighted to welcome you to visit us for all information on the breed, a place to meet, take a rest and/or leave your belongings (at your own risk) and of course tea/coffee. Everyone will be made most welcome to the after **show drinks party** which is held after the show on Thursday. We are looking for people to man the stand, so if you have a spare couple of hours, please contact the office. (Free admission tickets to the show for our helpers)

1st, 2nd & 3rd July —Society trip to Omagh Show

Visit the 180th show on Saturday 2nd July - The trip will be along similar lines to previous trips to Tullymore Show. Travel the day before, day at show and farm tour on the Sunday. More information to follow, please register your interest to the Secretary by 20th May, 2022



Tuesday 5th July - Sale at Tavistock Mart—South West Sale



Entries are invited for the above sale, please contact Tavistock Mart -01822 610080, Robert Jordan, John Heard 07887588032 or Miles Partridge 01364631008

For further details of the sale and the South West Galloway Society please contact new Chairman—Robert Jordan or Victoria Abel, 01822810264

Tuesday 12th to Friday 15th July —Great Yorkshire Show

For the second year running the show is a four day event, please note because of the Charolais/Shorthorn World Congresses, the Galloway judging is on Wednesday 13th July.

A visit to one of the summer's most enjoyable shows is a must, we are very fortunate to have David and Debs Heath as our hosts for the duration of the show. They organise "the office" and give you your home from home. Please come in and say hello. **Once again David and Debs are sponsoring a prize of £100 for the new exhibitor (not to have shown at the last three shows) at both the Royal Highland and Yorkshire Shows gaining the most points.**



Saturday 6th August—Dumfries and Lockerbie Show— National Show Trophies

The Society is delighted to present the National Show trophies at this popular show, set in the heart of Galloway. New for 2022 - the Society will have the promotion and hospitality stand at this event, which is hosted by David and Debs Heath.

Friday 28th October—14th Agri Expo—Harrison and Hetherington Ltd, Carlisle

Friday 4th November—Show and Sale - Carlisle Mart
Annual Show and sale at Carlisle Mart, entries close 5th October



ALDI

Following Aldi's successful Christmas promotion, the supermarket have also had a Mother's day promotion and in the coming months they will be promoting Galloway Beef Burgers. The first Galloway Burgers will be in all Scottish stores from Thursday 28th April, with further promotions throughout the summer.

Thank you

Thank you to all our members who completed our recent surveys, more information on results will be reported later on in the summer. If you would like to take part in future surveys, please ensure we have your email address.

Show Grants

The Society is delighted to be able to support our members who exhibit at the National Shows. The Society will pay the following:-

Royal Highland , Great Yorkshire , LiveScot—Lanark (including Calf Classes), English Winter Fair—Birmingham (new event for 2022)
£50 per animal up to a maximum of £150 (Show Grant fund capped at £2000)

If a Galloway wins the Overall Native prize at the Livescot or English Winter Fair, the Society will present £250 to the winner.

HERD OF THE YEAR COMPETITION.

Showing Galloways in 2022? please remember to send your five best show results to the office, There does not have to be a Galloway section at the show, points will be awarded even if you enter in the Any Other Breed section. Points will be awarded for 1st to 6th place and champion and reserve, so please forward your placings to the office and any photos, we would love to include them in the Journal.

HERDSMAN OF THE YEAR COMPETITION.

This has also been changed to include all sale centres.



NEW Herd Sire

If you are registering calves from a new herd sire, don't forget to inform the office and we will update his registration number, also please remember to DNA profile any bulls you wish to register. DNA sample bags can be obtained from the office.

ON LINE REGISTRATIONS

A quick and easy way to register Births etc and update your herd.

Go to "Search" on our web page
www.gallowaycattlesociety.co.uk

Go to "Manage your Herd" on the top right hand side
Complete your Members password and your Web password (please contact the office if you don't have a copy)



We have modernized our accounts system and the way we correspond with our members, so please ensure we have your current email address, please send to:-

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e-mail info@gallowaycattlesociety.co.uk
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SPRING SALE REPORTS

Galloway Cattle Society Annual Show and Sale – Wallets Marts, Castle Douglas
Show – Thursday 17th February, 2022
Sale – Friday 18th February, 2022
Judge Mr Robert McTurk, Barlaes, Dalry, Castle Douglas.

Trade was a flyer at the Galloway Cattle Society's two day show and sale held at Wallets Marts, Castle Douglas, with three animals over 10,000gns and a dozen heifers over 5000gns. Selling the lead price of 15000gns for Kirkstead Elite was Society's Chairman, Alan McClymont, Kirkstead, Yarrow, this much fancied 16 month old is by Troloss Impeccable who was purchased in partnership with David and Rosemarie Cornthwaite, Balgray for 9200gns. Elite was placed 2nd in the show the previous day and is off home with Klondyke Farms Ltd, Shancastle, Moniaive, Thornhill.



10000gns was achieved twice, once for the Male Champion, Unthank Beowulf from Alistair Busby, Unthank, Ewes, Langholm, this March 2020 was the heaviest bull in the mart at 832kgs, is by 3500gns Mandella of Balgray and was purchased by Messrs Spours & Sons, Twizell Farm, Belford, Northumberland for their 70 cow herd.

Ben Lomond Endeavour from J,M & D Maxwell, Blairvockie, Drymen, Glasgow also realized 10,000gns, this May 2020 is a Zonda of Kilnstown son and out of Ben Lomond Waterlily – a Klondyke Raider daughter was sold to Father and Son team, John and Andrew Tullie, Bowanhill, Teviothead, Selkirk. Duncan Maxwell also purchased one of three animals to achieve 8000gns - Barlaes Trooper, from Judge - Robert McTurk, Barlaes, Dalry, Castle Douglas, this 22 month old Troloss Magnum son is out of Barlaes Nancy 126th who is by the homebred sire Barlaes Colossus.



Doug and Jim Ross, Romesbeoch, Shawhead, Dumfries, sold the first bull in the ring - Chopper of Romeseoch also for 8000gns, this October 2019 born, Struthurr Yogi son sold to repeat customer Jimmy Ions, Thornyburn, Falstone, Hexham.

8000gns was the female top price for Brownie 5th of Fingland, from Jimmy Wallace and Family at Fingland, Dalry, Castle Douglas, placed 2nd in its class the day before, this Kirkstead Vindicator daughter who was shared with Kirkstead sold to Mr Steven McKillop, Sallachry East, Inveraray. The Fingland Team had a great day in the office, as they sold 6 Kirkstead Vindicator daughters heifers to average 5000gns. Their next best top price of 6500gns was for the first prize heifer Joyce 3rd of Fingland, out of Joyce 1st of Fingland who is the AI sire Orinocho of Over Barskeoch, she went home with R Nixon & E MacPherson, Marbrack, Carsphairn, Castle Douglas. A call of 6000gns was made for the incalf heifer - Brownie 7th of Fingland, this August 2019 heifer is travelling home with Helen Ryman, North Kildarroch, Whauphill, Newton Stewart. Helen also purchased Kathleen 15th of Fingland for 3200gns, Brownie 8th of Fingland - full sister to the top price heifer for 2200gns and Lady Polka 16th of Fingland for 4200gns.



The Female champion was Foxglove Blue of Nether Cleugh from Peter Hunter Blair, Nether Cleugh, Corsock, this September 2019 born Blackcraig Vagabond daughter was sold in calf to Nether Cleugh 's new stock bull Klondyke Domino to and purchased by June and Bobby MacKenzie, Wester Auchnagallen, Grantown of Spey for 7000gns, which is Nether Cleugh best price to date.

The reserve female champion, Blackcraig Blondchen B1089 from John, Ann & Iain Finlay, Blackcraig, Corsock secured 6500gns to Messrs Cowie, Polston Farm, The Mill, Polston. This first place heifer is by the homebred bull Blackcraig Superman and out of Blackcraig Blondchen U 087 who goes back to Blackcraig Sam. This stylish heifer was one of five heifers from the much admired pen from Blackcraig which averaged 3900gns. The next best priced heifer was 5000gns for Blackcraig Shields B1070 is by Nucamp of Balgray and out of Blackcraig Shields and heads north to Stirling with new members 3G Galloways. Reinstating the Galloways at Crossdykes, Lockerbie, well known Limousin breeder J Common & Sons, purchased another Nucamp of Balgray daughter -Blackcraig Bertha B1045 for 4500gns. German breeder Horst Kraft then secured Blackcraig Moss Rose B1091 for the next best price of 4200gns and Blackcraig Blonchen B1089 sold for 3800gns to G & M Porter, Islay. Blackcraig's only bull entry – Blackcraig Crofter, a Blackcraig Xtreamer son sold for 7000gns sold in a half share deal between Messrs Milligan, Dunesslin, Dunscore, Dumfries and Messrs Wallace, Over Barskeoch, Dalry, Castle Douglas

Mr Robert McTurk, Barlaes said “ The Galloway breed is all about producing easily sustainable, highly, productive females. There was plenty of quality on show and the heifers in particular were a joy to judge”.

Averages:- 19 Bulls £5819.21 (+£1342.02) 22 heifers in calf or ran with bull £3493.63 (-£224) 15 bulling heifers £2506.00 (+£46)

**Carlisle Spring Show and Sale – Friday 4th March, 2022
Judge Mr James Laurie, Southdean Farm, Chesters, Hawick**

Centre breed records were smashed for both male and female prices. The new female record price was achieved for the 1st place junior bulling heifer - Barlaes Brownie 255th from Robert McTurk, Barlaes, Castle Douglas, this 23 month old heifer is by Troloss Magnum who was originally bought in half share for 11k from Troloss and then took up full share following Troloss dispersal. This is the first crop of calves to be sold - with bulls to 8000gns and averaging 6500gns for 3 at Castle Douglas Mart . This stylish heifer is out of Barlaes Brownie 188th and sold to Mr Robbie Galloway, Cardona, Doune for 4000gns.



Mr Galloway also purchased the champion female again from Robert McTurk - Barlaes Brownie 254th, another nearly two year old heifer again by Troloss Magnum and out of the Brownie family which goes back to a home bred bull Barlaes JFK, she sold for 2000gns.

The champion bull – Viking of Whitehill from Walter and Iain Henderson, Whitehill, Lockerbie, is by 5000gns Everest of Gall-way who’s son - Ace of Whitehill sold for 4300gns at the 2021 spring sale. This 26 month old bull is out of Lizzie 401 of Whitehill, sold to Messrs TD & M Moore & Son, Softley Farm, Slaggyford for 2200gns.



The Henderson Family also sold a personal female best price of 3100gns for Lady Nancy 818 of Whitehill, this March 2019 in calf heifer by the home bred Trojan of Whitehill sold to Mr R Lund, East Clough, Garsdale, Sedburgh, Cumbria.

Husband and wife team Richard and Alison Maxwell, Howside, Ennerdale, Cleator, Cumbria also achieved a new male record price for Knight of Ennerdale, this is the first bull to be sold by Troloss Matrix who was purchased at the 2019 Castle Douglas sale for 15000gns and out of Kalinka 1461 of Romesbeoch - purchased for 2400gns at 2015 Castle Douglas sale. This 19 month old bull, who stood 2nd in his class sold for 6000gns in a half share deal to J & A Finlay, Blackraig, Corsock and RA McClymont, Kirkstead, Yarrow.



Lanarkshire based James Campbell, Kypehill, Strathaven, had a great day, selling his first bull - Kypehill Dynamite for the second top male price of 3000gns. This 19month old was bought as a calf at foot with his dam – Naplam of Balgray at the Autumn Carlisle sale in 2020 for 2000gns. This Troloss Minstral son was purchased by new member Messrs Strang Steel & Partners, Hawick

Averages

6 Bulls	£2747.50
7 Heifers in milk/in Calf	£1815.00
23 Bulling Heifers	£1362.26



Alan Mclymont presented cheques to Lesley Mason, project co-coordinator on behalf of the Galloway Cattle Society.

The funds had been raised from the sale of Mary Howie’s breed society books. Mary was an amazing supporter of The Galloway Cattle Society and RHET, both in the Borders and in RHET Lothian. The funds raised have been split between both charities, and will be used to help more school pupils learn about where their food comes from.

