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Change of Address

New address for the BGCS Office

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Society Financial Year End

It is the BGCS Financial year end on the 31st December and I would like to politely request that members settle their accounts prior to this date, to help the Society avoid having a large list of debtors at the year end.

If you owe anything then enclosed with this newsletter is a copy of your statement, if you have paid in the last few days, thank you and please ignore the statement. If you have any queries then please get in touch so we can sort them out prior to the year end.

Thank you for your help.

PLEASE NOTE

NEW SOCIETY RULING

'The use of artificial colouring, paint, sprays, chalk, or any other substance of any sort to aid colouring (other than cleaning) are not permitted under any circumstances.'



Annual Subscriptions are due on 1st January 2018.

If you have not already paid your annual subscription then please send your payment to the secretary Christina Cormack as soon as possible to ensure that your details are included in the 2018 Year Book.

Full membership is £36

Please help us by paying your subscription on time, thank you

Year Book Adverts

Just a reminder if you would like to advertise your herd in the 2018 year book now is the time to start sending you adverts completed in full including art work to Christina at info@beltedgalloways.co.uk

Adverts are priced as follows

Full page colour	£130.00
Half page colour	£75.00
Entry in members map	£12.00

All prices include VAT

All adverts MUST be received by the 28th February 2018, to enable the Year book to be printed and out in good time.

As usual all contributions are welcome, be they articles, news from your farm or travels further afield, photos or anything else you may have. The other thing we are asking for is more adverts. Many members take an advert every year, and this is good value, as the book will be seen by around 600 breeders and interested people. As you will know, the vast majority of cattle sales in our breed take place privately, so if you'll have stock to sell this year why not put yourself before your market? In the past adverts tended to be only from breeders, but we have widened the net to include all sorts of ancillary businesses. So, if your vet or feed merchant might take an advert why not approach them – heaven knows, they are making enough out of you!

Annual Herd List

Enclosed with this newsletter is a list of cattle that the Society believes that you own, could you please check over this form and make any alterations and return it to the society no later than 28th February so that the database can be updated, remember to send the fees for any transfers along with the form. (£12 per animal to be transferred)

This can also be completed online by going into grassroots and clicking on Survey.

2018 Annual General Meeting

Thursday 25th October 2018

Wallets Mart
Castle Douglas, Dumfriesshire

Further details will be sent out to the membership nearer the time.

Make a note of the date now!

Registrations

If you wish your 2017 born animals to appear in the 2018 year book then they need to be registered online or received in the office no later than 31st December otherwise they will appear in the following years year book.

Members details

Enclosed with this newsletter is your annual subscription form, as well as your annual subscription this form keeps our records of your information up to date, if you have changed your address or telephone or email then please up date it on this form and return it to the Secretary.

Email. If the form does not state your email address and you have one could you provide it, this is helpful when we need to inform the membership of sale closing dates or forthcoming events. Your details will not be passed on to any third party and will only be used occasionally for updates on BGCS matters.

DNA of bulls

Please be aware that the DNA results take 4 weeks for the results to come back, therefore can you bare this in mind when you are wanting your bull registered as he cannot be registered until the results have come back and are correct.

Thank you

Reminder for the 2018 Sales

BVD—Testing and Vaccination for Registered entries

All Entries **MUST** be vaccinated against BVD (Bovine Viral Diarrhoea).

- Entries from CHeCS Accredited Herds **MUST** be fully vaccinated in accordance with the data sheets of vaccine used. (Note their last vaccination **MUST** have been administered within 12 months of the sale).
- Entries from non BVD Accredited Herds **MUST** be Antigen tested negative and vaccinated in accordance with the data sheets of the vaccine used.
- Entries from herds not subscribing to the membership of a CHeCS Herd Health Scheme **MUST** be Antigen tested negative and vaccinated in accordance with the data sheets of the vaccine used.
- In the case of pregnant animals they **MUST** be vaccinated in accordance with the data sheets of the vaccine used and vaccination **MUST** be carried out prior to service.
- Ensure that in all instances the final vaccination has been administered with sufficient time for the animal to have built up an immunity prior to the sale. From advice obtained, at least 4 weeks prior to the sale.

ENTRIES NOT FULLY VACCINATED FOR BVD WILL NOT BE ALLOWED ENTRY TO THE AUCTION CENTRE.

If in doubt on any of the points above please consult with either your CHeCS Herd Health provider or your veterinarian.

Castle Douglas Sale 2017—Show results

A large entry and very good show of quality cattle was paraded before the Judge Mr David Powell from the well know Shelsleys herd from Worcester at the annual show and sale of Belted and White Galloway Cattle at Castle Douglas on Friday 27th October 2017.

There were no cows and calves forward for the show. The other females were split into five classes with the first class being won by Messrs JR & CJ Ward from Lockerbie with their homebred Whitstonehill Audrey, second place went to Carolyn Fletcher from Cumbria with Barwise Maggie 845. Topping the second class Offthewall Cassandra 2nd from Tim Oliver who had travelled up from Northumberland, she was followed in second by Dunay Bess 2nd from Mr J Howman from Middlesex. The third class of heifers was dominated by the Speddock herd from Shawhead taking the top three spots, in first place was Speddock Alanna and in second her stablemate Speddock Ainslie. The top two in the fourth class of heifers also went to Speddock this time with Speddock Anastacia and Speddock Ava respectively. The last class of heifers was won by the Landers family of Wigtownshire with Cairnsmore Kacey Johan and in second place was Mourneview Gigi from Adam Lawson of Fife.

The female champion and winner of the Borneess Rose Bowl was Tim Oliver with his smart homebred heifer Offthewall Cassandra 2nd, taking the Reserve spot was the Ward family with Whitstonehill Audrey.

Not a big entry of bulls but the quality forward made up for this, five senior bulls were forward with first prize going to Hockenhull Horatio from Hockenhull Farms who had travelled up from Cheshire. This bull had style and breed character, second to him was Mrs J Howman's Dunay Jura.

The Junior bull class had a good entry and this was headed by Duncan Maxwell from Drymen with Lomond Bunnahabhain, second to him was local breeders I R S Bond with Glen Fabio.

Judge David Powell had no hesitation in tapping out his champion Bull Lomond Bunnahabhain from Duncan Maxwell with Hockenhull Horatio taking the Reserve

spot. The Belted Galloway champions were kindly sponsored by Tarff Valley.

In the white section there was not many forward in the show but the quality certainly wasn't lacking with the heifer class being won by Melkridge Risa 2nd



from Tim Oliver, Northumberland who also took second spot with Melkridge Fortune, third prize here went to local breeders Messrs Gilligan with Highcreoch Claire 3rd.

In the bulls only two were entered but two good bulls they were with KM Walters heading this class with Heritage Desider and in second R J McTurk with Barlaes Snowman. The Championship award went to the female Melkridge Risa 2nd and the bull Heritage Desider taking reserve spot.

That concluded an excellent show, and thanks are due to our main sponsor, Scotmin Nutrition, and all our other contributors Solway Agriculture Ltd., Dunmuir Veterinary Group, Robinsons Scotland Ltd., Kilnford Farm Shop, Tarff Valley, Galloway vets and R.C. Dalgleish Ltd.



RESULTS

Class 1 Female in-calf or with calf at Foot

No entries

Class 2a Female

1 st	Lot 16	Whitstonehill Audrey	J R & C J Ward
2 nd	Lot 13	Barwise Maggie 845	Mrs C Fletcher
3 rd	Lot 6	Barwise Miss Molly 830	Mrs C Fletcher
4 th	Lot 4	Offthewall Irisboy	T J Oliver

Class 2b Female

1 st	Lot 25	Offthewall Cassandra 2 nd	T J Oliver
2 nd	Lot 32	Dunay Bess 2 nd	Mrs J Howman
3 rd	Lot 30	I R S Bond	Glen Fuchsia
4 th	Lot 24	Whitstonehill Princess Jasmine	JR & CJ Ward

Class 3 Female

1 st	Lot 49	Speddock Alanna	Speddock Partnership
2 nd	Lot 47	Speddock Ainslie	Speddock Partnership
3 rd	Lot 44	Speddock Abby	Speddock Partnership
4 th	Lot 46	Whitstonehill Rosalie	JR & CJ Ward

Class 3a Female

1 st	Lot 71	Speddock Anastacia	Speddock Partnership
2 nd	Lot 61	Speddock Ava	Speddock Partnership
3 rd	Lot 63	Lipwood Tonto	G B Milroy
4 th	Lot 67	Auchengassel Ona	RKG Farms

Class 3b Female

1 st	Lot 77	Cairnsmore Kacey Johan	Mrs J Landers
2 nd	Lot 80	Mourneview Gigi	A J Lawson
3 rd	Lot 81	Whitstonehill Heidi Ho	JR & CJ Ward
4 th	Lot 75	Cairnsmore Klara Honeysuckle	Mrs J Landers

Class 4 Senior Bull

1 st	Lot 88	Hockenhull Horatio	Hockenhull Farms
2 nd	Lot 87	Dunay Jura	Mrs J Howman
3 rd	Lot 89	Scaifehall Elvis Einstein	C M Ryder
4 th	Lot 90	Grassknop Benjamin	Mrs A L Taylor

Class 5 Junior Bull

1 st	Lot 97	Lomond Bunnahabhain	D Maxwell
2 nd	Lot 92	Glen Fabio	I R S Bond
3 rd	Lot 96	Whitstonehill Gandalf	JR & CJ Ward
4 th	Lot 91	Waterloo Spectre	S J Barry

Male Champion – Lot 97 Lomond Bunnahabhain

Reserve Male Champion – Lot 88 Hockenhull Horatio

Female Champion – Lot 25 Offthewall Cassandra 2nd

Reserve Female Champion – Lot 16 Whitstonehill Audrey

White Galloways

Class 1

1 st	Lot 104	Melkridge Risa 2 nd	T J Oliver
2 nd	Lot 102	Melkridge Fortune	T J Oliver
3 rd	Lot 107	Highcreoch Claire 3 rd	G & K Gilligan

Class 2

1 st	Lot 109	Heritage Desider	K M Welters
2 nd	Lot 110	Barlaes Snowman	R J McTurk

White Galloway Champion – Lot 104 Melkridge Risa 2nd

Reserve Champion – Lot 109 Heritage Desider

Castle Douglas Sale 2017—Sale Report

Champions in the pre sale show are the top prices in the sale. Record price for White Galloway Bull

A large entry of cattle and a large crowd of buyers were present at the Annual Show and Sale of Belted and White Galloway cattle on Friday at Wallets Mart, Castle Douglas. Buyers were present from as far south as Colchester, North as Aberdeen and across the water from Northern and Southern Ireland.



Male Champion Belted Galloway Lot 97 Lomond Bunnabhain from JM & D Maxwell, Blairvockie, Drymen sold for 5800gns to fellow breeder Carolyn Fletcher, Appleby in Westmorland for her Barwise herd, Bunnabhain is the first son to be offered for sale sired by Speddock Rocky, Male Champion Castle Douglas 2014 and sold for the record price of 10,500gns. Champi-



on Female Belted Galloway was Lot 25 Offthewall Cassandra 2nd from Tim Oliver, Northumberland selling to new breeders Glenapp Farms, Girvan, Ayrshire for 3700gns, matching this price was Lot 13 Barwise Maggie 845 from Carolyn Fletcher selling to new members J & J Rix from Colchester in Essex. Top price and record price for a White Galloway Bull was Lot 110, the first prize Bull from R J McTurk, Castle Douglas and he sold to Tim Oliver, Northumberland for his Melkridge Herd of White Galloways.

In the Belted Galloway section 9 animals sold in excess of 3000gns. In the bulls the next top price after the Champion was 4500gns which was for Lot 92 Glen Fabio from local breeders IRS Bond and he sold to D Daley from Grange over Sands. Following that was Lot 88 Hockenhull Farms from Tarvin, Chester's older bull Hockenhull Horatio who made 3800gns selling to Hoscote Estate, Hawick.

In the females the next highest price was 3400gns paid for Lot 16 Whitstonehill Audrey an in-calf heifer from Messrs Ward, Lockerbie. Following her was Carolyn Fletcher with Lot 6 Barwise Miss Molly 830 selling for 3200gns to new breeders J & J Rix, Colchester.



The next top price in the White Galloway section was the Overall White Galloway Champion lot number 104 Melkridge Risa 2nd from Tim Oliver, Northumberland, a stylish heifer sold in-calf and she sold to Paul Thompson, Co Durham for 2400gns for his Wolsingham herd.

AVERAGES

BELTED GALLOWAYS

9 Bulls	£3325
18 in-calf heifers	£2508
35 Bulling heifers	£1722
1 cow & Calf	£1470

WHITE GALLOWAYS

1 bull	£2940
7 bulling heifers	£1575
3 Riggitt bulling heifers	£805



The Belted Galloway Cattle Society would like to wish all its members and friends a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



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2018 Official Society Sales:

Carlisle

Saturday 19th May 2018

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