

BLONDE UPDATE

June 2011

Blonde National Show at Three Counties Showground 17th-19th June

Judging will take place on Friday 17th June at 9.00am. The Midland Club are hosting a "cheese & wine" event following the judging at the Blonde Stand, everyone is very welcome.

Junior Stockjudging (under 30) will take place on Saturday 18th June at 11.30am. For more information, please contact the Blonde Office as soon as possible.

As it is the Societies 40th Anniversary, we hope to make it an even bigger success than last years show!!

Please note Chairman Dan Davies has a new email address

fronfedwblondes@hotmail.co.uk

National Stock Judging weekend

Please see enclosed entry form for the National Stock judging weekend. This is kindly being hosted by the North of Ireland club. It promises to be a good weekend and everyone is welcome.

Booking information & itinerary are also available at www.niblondcattleclub.com

Doncombe Sale of Blondes

Please see the enclosed flyer advertising the sale of Doncombe and Dodimead animals on Friday 8th July at Worcester at 5pm.

New Members

We would like to extend a warm welcome to the following new members..

M Thomas, Hereford, D Leeson, N Yorks
LA & MA Holton & Son, W Mids, Robert Green , Lincs
James Anderson, Scotland, Matthew Hill, Lancs
G Edward Ravenscroft-Jones, Shropshire
Phillip Robb, Northern Ireland

Amendment to Journal—Ark Diego

Please note that Ark Diego is available Worldwide and not as it says in the journal, UK only.

Private Sales Register

Members are invited to enter up to 5 animals, details and pictures on to the Websites Private Sales register for a charge of £10per year.

This will be updated every 3 months and it will be up to members to replace or renew adverts and it would be a great help if you could let us know once animals have been sold. Animals that are currently on the register will be removed in 3 months time.

2011 BLONDE SALES

Carlisle 21st October

1500gns minimum bid for bulls at all Society Sales
Will commence as of October 2011

The standard of cattle must improve.

Minimum bid as of October 2011 will be 1500gns
Bulls not thought to be able to make the minimum bid should be considered for slaughter.

Herd Health Schemes

It may be a necessity in the future to be involved in a herd health scheme. Although the Blonde Society does not recommend one specific company, please find below some details of which may be of use to you.

Herd Sure
Veterinary Laboratories Agency, Luddington, Stratford-upon-Avon, Warwickshire, CV37 9SJ

Biobest Herdcare
Biobest Laboratories Ltd, Charles Darwin House, The Edinburgh Technopole, Bush Estate, Penicuik, EH26 0PJ

S.A.C. Healthcare
Ian Pritchard Tel: 07970 691726

The Blonde Society will have stands at:

The Highland show on 23-26th June
There will be a presentation buffet (small fee will be charged for this) at Thursday 23rd June, early evening, everyone welcome.
"39 ENTRIES"

Great Yorkshire Show on 12-14th July

Royal Welsh on Mon 18th—Thurs 21st July

Show Trophies

If you have trophies to be returned to the National, Highland or the Welsh Shows please would you return them clean to the Blonde stand on the morning of the shows.

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Balmoral Show 2011.

Comber Boxer homebred bull from D & R McFarland of Omagh, Co.Tyrone sired by Edendale Jigsaw wins the British Blonde championship at the Balmoral show 2011.

Having won the senior bull class Comber Boxer born 15.02.06 exhibited by Mr McFarland pipped Hillhead Estelle to the championship lifting the BOCM cup presented by sponsors John Thompson and Sons Ltd, the Northern Ireland British Blonde Club Perpetual Cup for the best senior bull and the Jeremy Paynter Perpetual Challenge Cup for the best exhibitor bred British Blonde animal.



Champion, Comber Boxer

Ayr Show 14th & 15th May 2011



Congratulations to Robbie, Sheena and Sean Kennedy who achieved great success at the Ayr Show in May.

Reserve Champion Group of 3
Interbreed at Ayr Show
(Left to right) Marstonmill Dick Dastardly (Bull) Broomley Ellen (in calf Heifer)
Newpark Effie (in calf Heifer)

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BLONDE SALE NEWS

Ivaniskey Eitsy Bitsy Crowned Beef Interbreed Champion of Champions

Home bred heifer Ivaniskey Eitsy Bitsy exhibited by the McElroy Family from Dromara in Co.Down was awarded the Supreme Beef Interbreed championship at Lurgan show 2011. Sired by Doncombe Aga Khan, and out of home bred cow Ivaniskey Ruthybaby.



Sales

Stirling average bulls £2520
Top price - Ardmore Executive 2520
Carlisle May averages Bulls £3506, Females £1586
Top price - Hallfield Einstein £7350
Worcester averages; Bulls £3175, Females £1463
Top price - Quicks Edward £8400

Carlisle March averages bulls £3267, Females £1380
Top price – Shapfell Esquire £7140
Moira averages Bulls £ 2164, Females £1509
Top price – Applecroft Earl 3675
Beeston averages Bulls £3124, Females £1916
Top price - Fronfedw Eragorn £5250

Full reports on www.secretary@britishblondesociety.co.uk

If you have any show or sales reports that you would like to appear on the Website and journal, please send report and photos (as JPEG) to the Blonde Office and we will be happy to use them if at all possible.

Beef Expo Newark

The Blondes had a stand at Beef Expo at Newark on 26th May; cattle were sourced and loaned by Karl Fawcett and Willie Seels. The North East club kindly provided refreshments and helped to man the stand seeing a good number of visitors.

Beef Expo Corskie

The Blondes also took a stand at the Scottish Beef Expo on June 1st erected and manned by the North of Scotland Club who were pleased to attain new contacts.

Blonde Journals

We have plenty of Journals in the office. If you feel that you could distribute them at your local market or show, please let us know and we will get some sent to you.

French Trip

We are looking to organise a French trip to the French National Show 23 – 25th September 2011. When I have more details they will be on the website. If you are interested please contact the office so that we can keep you informed of the price and itinerary. A deposit will be required to hold your place.

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MARKET TOPPERS

Ashford Market

22nd March. Blondes from AG Young & Son to 177p

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Wednesday 2nd February. UTM Steers A good run from AW Tippetts & Son saw 14 average £833 with their Blondes to 149p/kg Wednesday 23rd February. Blonde Steers £1132 AW Tippetts & Son

Hexham

15th March OTM cattle. **Blonde Bulls** – £1491.75 Low Leam **Blonde Cows** - £1094.36 Low Leam

North West Auctions, Lancaster

Lancaster Fri 11th Feb Store Bullocks **Blonde:** £860, £810 Throstle Nest Farm. Store Heifers **Blonde:** £810 Bouthwaite Farm

Salisbury Market, Southern Counties Auction

OTM Cattle (Over Thirty Months) Top price of 168.5p (£1030.91) to a superb conformation homebred Blonde heifer from Philip Thomas who also achieved 154.5p and 150p with heifers of the same breed and topped the steers with another cracking Blonde at 158.5p (£1125.50).

Selby Livestock Market

5th January. 2x Blonde Bullocks sold by HW Ellis & Son for average £1228.

**As of 1st January 2012, Life Membership to the Society will increase to
£350 + VAT**

Open Day at Hellifield, near Skipton

The Blondes are to be involved in a joint open day at Hellifield Farms by invitation of Robert Philip with the Highland Cattle Society.

This will take place on Wednesday 17th August and begins at 10.00am at Green Farm, Hellifield, Skipton, BD23 4LA. Everyone is welcome as this is a great opportunity to see the benefits of using a Blonde bull on Highland Cattle.

Moving on to Lee Gate Farm, Malham, BD23 4DN by kind invitation of Mr H Carr & Son, there will be a BBQ Lunch for £10.

If anyone is interested, please contact the Blonde Office to help with numbers for catering arrangements.

On line registrations

**If you would like to register calves on line, please ring the office for your password.
It would help a great deal if you are set up to do online banking.**

Bankers Order Form

Please find enclosed a new Bankers Order Form for your annual subscription. These reflect the VAT rise from 1st January 2011. If you have already returned this form to us, please do not do so again.

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