

SHORTHORN

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DECEMBER 2005
NEWSLETTER



**MERRY CHRISTMAS
TO ALL MEMBERS, THEIR
FAMILIES AND ALL
FRIENDS**

YEAR LETTER

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2006

Another year gone by, another journal, another newsletter.

Staff Changes

Since writing my report for the journal, I was disappointed to learn that Caroline Burbidge, who has been responsible for beef registrations, had decided to leave. Unfortunately the pressures of looking after a husband, a young daughter, and 7 horses as well as a job were proving too much to cope with. Caroline had done very well while she was here and we are very sorry to lose her, but as one door closes another opens and we are pleased to welcome Louise Fayd'herbe onto the staff. Louise comes originally from a farming background in Zimbabwe, but left in 2004 due to the political climate of the Country, so we hope she finds a more settled life here with her two young children.

Rules and Regulations

New rules and regulations regarding the registration of cattle in Coates's Herd Book (Beef) come into force on January 1st 2006. The Directors have made one change to the new rules as previously published. They have removed the last sentence from rule 9(b) pertaining to the need to birth notify all calves by three months of age in order to subsequently register them, but they agreed that this rule would be kept under review and introduced if necessary.

Copies of the new rules can be downloaded from the website at www.shorthorn.co.uk

Sales list

Anyone wanting to include a photograph of an animal for sale on the web site sale list can do so. They must provide a suitable electronic photo (preferably digital) to the office and there will be a charge of £10 per photo for this service. Adverts of stock for sale without photos will continue to be provided free of charge for members.

Ryedale Show

Ryedale show had to cancel the Beef Shorthorn classes last year due to shortage of entries. The show has a long standing tradition of Beef Shorthorn classes, and would like to continue offering classes, so they are appealing to all Northern breeders to try to support the show with entries in 2006

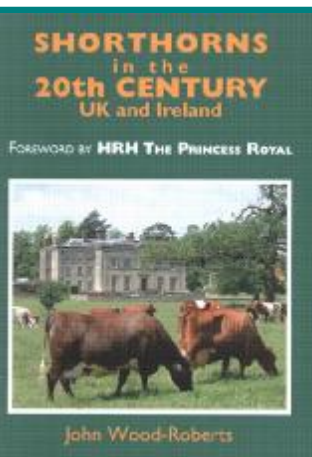
On Line Registration

Iwould encourage all members to try out the on line registration facility. It is very easy to use and saves time for both the member and the office.

For those who do use the system, please remember that once a new batch of registrations is opened it will remain on the system and can be added to at a future date.

It doesn't have to be submitted as soon as a calf has been added, and as they are processed by batch and not individual registrations/notifications the bigger the batch the better as far as the office are concerned.

If you have any queries please ring the office and we will talk you through the process.



**John Wood-Roberts
Book**

**"SHORTHORNS IN
THE TWENTIETH
CENTURY"**

**with a forward by
HRH The Princess
Royal, is now
available and can be
purchased from the
office for £20.00
plus postage and
packing.**

**We also have available a number of copies
signed by the author at £25.00 plus
postage and packing**

Perth – February Bull Sales

The programme for the Perth Bull Sales is as follows
Sunday am – Inspection of bulls
Sunday 3.00 pm: - AGM at Perth Auction mart
Monday am: show
Monday pm sale of females (33)
Monday 7.30pm: Annual dinner and prize
presentation
Tuesday pm: sale of bulls (61)



Annual Dinner

The Annual Dinner will be held at the Royal George Hotel, Perth on Monday 6th February.

The room is only just big enough to accommodate our increasing numbers so I have to say -

WE CANNOT GUARANTEE A MEAL UNLESS IT HAS BEEN BOOKED WITH THE OFFICE BY THURSDAY 2nd FEBRUARY.

If we receive more bookings than can be accommodated in the main hall, extra tables will be laid in the conservatory and places will be allocated in order of booking so early booking is advisable. The cost is £15 per person.

Please send cheque to office for meals booked prior to the event. With the numbers involved, collecting money on the night has become unmanageable.

We have also again arranged a preferential room rate at The Royal George (01738624455) for Beef Shorthorn members, of £70.00 per room in a double/twin room or £50.00 per room single occupancy bed and breakfast, for the weekend of the October Bull Sales.

If you wish to avail yourselves of this offer you MUST ask for the special Beef Shorthorn room rate when booking.

Imported semen

A reminder that anyone importing Beef Shorthorn semen, or embryos must provide the Society with a 4 generation pedigree before importing semen in order to check the eligibility of the progeny for registration in Coates's herd book. The Society accepts no responsibility for subsequent progeny of imported semen, or for imported embryos which are not eligible for registration in Coates's Herd Book (Beef)

Painted by:
John Alfred Wheeler
25" x 30" oil on canvas, signed
Wheeler (1821-1903)
was a renowned animal
Painter who lived near
Bath and exhibited in
London with the Society
of British Artists



Lord Somerset III

Bred at Asthenia Court, nr. Bristol
by Sir Henry Greville Smythe,
circa 1879/80.

For sale, call 01225 461-785 or hsggal@aol.com
Hanover Square Gallery (establ. 1980)
Mounnessing, Weston Park, Bath, BA1-4AS

HERD BOOKS

The following have herd books etc. wishing to find new homes.



Simon Midgley, N. Yorks 40 copies of Coates's from 1920's to 1940's tel 01756 793286

Mr Greenshields has 'Thorntons Circular's' 1868/69 vol 1 tel: 0191 5843251 Co Durham

2004 HERD BOOKS - NOW AVAILABLE

The 2004 herd book is now available in the new format, telephone or email the office with your orders, the prices are as follows:

New prices for Herd Books from December 2005

Dairy £15.00 €24.00

Beef £12.00 €19.00

Both Dairy and Beef £25.00 €40.00

(now two separate books)

Ireland tour

The Shorthorn Society are holding a tour to Southern Ireland from 27th April to 1st May 2006, and any Beef Society members wishing to come on the tour would be very welcome. As well as visiting Shorthorn herds we will also be trying our luck at the races and even going to a wedding, so there will be something for everyone. Please book with the office.

TEASDALE TOURS

Provisional itinerary for 27th April-1st of May 2006
Sunset Ridge Motel, Cork, Eire

- Thursday 27th 2-2:30pm Visit Gillian Smith's herd, County Cork
Visit to S.W.coast Return to hotel for 7pm supper
- Friday 28th Visit Glen Carter, Clonakenny, Nr Roscrea plus A1 center and holiday attractions. 8pm wedding evening for George Deane's daughter Caroline and husband to be, Mark. Approx £10 per person towards wedding gift.
- Saturday 29th Visit Beef herd and Michael Kelleher's Dairy herd plus attractions round Killarney.
- Sunday 30th Visit Mike Keane's dairy herd near Limerick, 2pm Sunday Point-to-Point race at Mallow. 7:30pm meeting and Buffet at the Motel. Everybody welcome
- Monday 1st May Wildlife Park, Cork. Make your way home after lunch.

COST 40 euros (approx £30) per person/night for motel
£50-£60 per person, depending on numbers, for bus.

DEPOSIT £50 per person by 15 January 2006. Please pay to Shorthorn Society, Stoneleigh.

Any Questions please phone John Teasdale on 01387 880236

