

# NORTH WEST MIDLANDS & NORTH WALES LIMOUSIN BREEDERS CLUB

## Welcome to the clubs newsletter 2014

The first event this year to be held was a stock judging on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June kindly hosted by Trefor & Carol Wynne (Alwen Herd) Hendre Glan Alwen, Llanfihangel Glyn Myfyr, Corwen, Denbighshire, LL21 9UN. This was a beautiful sunny afternoon when around 90 people attended to look around the Alwen Herd of pedigree Limousins and commercial cattle, Trefor set quite a task for us with 8 classes of cattle to judge, but it was well supported with about 40 -50 taking part in the judging. A lot of the cattle on display had been bred by Trevor's own bull the March 2009 born (Alwen Edward) with a beef value of +47 he had certainly put some length and shape into the cattle, also being used was (Carmorn Dauphin) (Ronick Hawk) (Broadmeadows Cannon) (Nenuphar) (Ionesco) and (Wilodge Cerberus) After the stock Judging Carol and her family put on an excellent BBQ and wonderful desserts, the day came to a close with the raffle being drawn which raised £276 ,this was donated to the local Air Ambulance.



## Club Open Day

The club open day this year took place on the 10<sup>TH</sup> August 2014 , Will and Jackie Forrester (Twemlows Herd) hosted this event after being the successful winner of 2013 Herd Competition. On arrival Jackie and her daughters greeted us with a welcome cup of tea, coffee and cake. Then it was on to the tractors and trailers for the highlight of the day to view their excellent herd of cattle, you can well see why Will and Jackie have won this competition three times in recent years. Their homebred bulls Twemlows Dynamite and Twemlows Galaxy, are certainly leaving them some good breeding stock Dynamite is the sire to over 85 animals currently in the herd, they are also using a lot of the top genetic AI sires such as Wilodge Vantastic, Haltcliffe Vermont , Sympa, Cloughhead Umpire, to get new blood lines in to the herd. After looking around the stock in the fields it was back to the yard where Will had tied up four bulls and put four heifers in a pen for people to stock judge. The day was round off nicely with a BBQ and a raffle.



### **Results of stock judging on club open day.**

1. Arwel Rees      2. Harry Vaughn   3. Glynn Vaughn

1. Margaret Heath   2. Elaine Lewis      3. A. Roberts

1. Matthew Clark   2. Will Nicholls

### **Club Trip September 19<sup>TH</sup>-21<sup>ST</sup>**

This year's trip was to North Yorkshire and Northumberland, on the Friday we travelled by coach to Jamie Coopers (Tomschoice ) Hill Top Farm, Dacre, N. Yorkshire, on arrival we took a short walk down into a field behind the farm buildings where Jamie had a few bulls that he was taking to the Carlisle's bull sale in October, these mostly sons of his own bull Tomschoice Gladstone and Kaprico Eravelle, they had good shape and style, then we moved off to look at his cows and calves where there was some very good shaped young stock that are already showing signs to be stars off the future these were mostly sons and daughters of Kaprico Eravelle and some of Tomschoice Hurricane, Sarkley Topknot ,on the way back to the farm buildings Jamie told use how he was reclaiming the moorland back to well farmed land by doing a lot of drainage and picking off all the stone's, it was remarkable what he had achieved. When we arrived back at the farm the family add laid on some lovely lunch.

Saturday morning was a visit to Jonathan Watsons (Tweeddale Herd) Bowsden Moor, Bowsden, Berwick Upon Tweed, Northumberland. Jonathan took use a walk around the farm yard to look at some limousin and British Blue Bulls which he also breeds, after this we took a short trip to look at Goldies Goldmine that was running with the cows, he is already throwing some very impressive young stock, being the sire to over 45 young stock on farm at the moment, we also went to look around his pedigree British Blue herd that Jonathan has had great success with as well. After spending the morning at the Watsons we had a pub lunch and then moved on to join the Logan family (Homebyres herd) Humebyres, Kelso in the afternoon, this was a perfect setting to have a marvellous herd of pedigree Limousins as in the back ground to the cattle was Hume Castle they are very lucky to live in such a pretty part of the country. The Logan family are certainly doing a good job of breeding some outstanding cattle, they are using a variety of sires, Homebyres Vanhee, Arnott and Homer, Haltcliffe Eubank, Sarkley Pepsi, Anside Hawkeye, and Wilodge Fastrac these are all producing some excellent young stock, after a tour around the farm the afternoon came to a close with a lovely spread of homemade cake biscuits and tea.

Sunday as we travelled back towards home the visit for that day was at W. I. Suddes & Sons (Cornsay Herd) South Farm Cornsay, Durham. We took a trip around the farm again by tractor and trailer, as we were going around they showed us the foundation cows, these had great power and shape, back in the sheds was a few show heifers and some bulls these were mostly sons and daughters of Flash. Before leaving the farm we had a beautiful BBQ.



Jamie Coopers



Jonathan Watson



John Logan



Karl Suddes



Group picture

Thank you to everyone that has hosted and supported the club throughout the year, as without you we would not have had such an enjoyable year.

### **Dinner Dance October 25<sup>TH</sup>**

The annual dinner dance and herd competition presentations took place at The Wynnstay Hotel Oswestry, it was well supported with just over 90 people attending, Andrew Proctor (swarland herd) kindly judged the competition and came to the dinner dance to announce the winners and present the prizes, results to follow. The club presented Andrew with a crook for judging the competition.

### **Chairman Colin Lewis presenting Andrew Proctor with the Crook**



### **Free membership for all young breeders in the North Wales and North West Midlands Region.**

On kind permission of the North Wales and North West Midland committee have decided that all young breeders within this region are eligible for free membership to the Young Limousin Breeders Club for 2015 if they participate in one the the Young Limousin Breeders events held throughout the year. For more information contact our young Limousin breeders club coordinator Annabelle Wint on 07909254565 or [Annabelle@limousin.co.uk](mailto:Annabelle@limousin.co.uk).