SOUTH WESTERN LIMOUSIN CATTLE BREEDERS CLUB



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July 2019 Newsletter





We all had a fantastic day at Shearwell yesterday, so interesting! When we use our tags we certainly don't realise just what goes into them!!

Our day was all kindly hosted by Richard Webber with his Family & Staff. We all met at Shearwell where

Richard Webber with sons Sam & James



Richard gave us an introduction and history of the Shearwell plant and we were then shown around the whole eartag process. It was fascinating to see the skill, length and detailed process that takes place. Richard kindly showed us the technology and investment required in the Shearwell business. We had demonstrated the EID bar readers, also the development of the DNA tags and metal EID tags which will be the next step of ear tagging for us to appreciate. We also saw the renowned Ketcham equipment dating back to the 1950's working a treat with many still using these tags today. We were shown the Farm works software, Farm Equipment and Management crates which can all be linked, Shearwell is so much more than eartags!













We stopped for a delicious lunch and then in the afternoon drove to Goosemoor, Gupworthy & Higher Week Farms for an idealic tour a round. Richard & Carolyne Webber established the farm in the early 80's. The farms now cover 950 acres across four sites, comprising of 150 Suckler cows, with 5 Limousin and 2 Aberdeen Angus bulls, and 32 Pedigree Limousin Cattle. On the sheep side; 900 North Country Mules and Welsh Mules using Texel, Char/Tex and Abermex rams.

With this year's Herd Competition well under way this week, our Judge Mr Brian Lear and Harris, his Australian relative have been visiting the herds throughout the Westcountry. Both took time out to join us and will be finishing their judging over the weekend.













Patrick Greed thanked Richard Webber for inviting us, and the Webber Family, Shearwell & Farm staff for all their hard work. We all thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated, such a pleasurable day on Exmoor!





<u>Beef Young Handler Classes at One Day Shows</u> we will be sponsoring the Beef Young Handlers (All Breeds) with South West Limousin Cattle Breeders' Club's Sash's and Rosettes at the

following Summer Shows:

Camborne – Saturday 20th July

Launceston – Thursday 25th July

North Devon - Wednesday 7th August

Gillingham & Shaftsbury – Wednesday 14th August Dunster – Friday 16th August Frome – Saturday 14th September



South West AGM - Sunday 1st September The Mullion Cove Hotel, Helston, Lizard Peninsula, TR12 7EP

11am - Meet for Tea & Coffee

11.30 - AGM

12.15 - 12.30 Lunch

Main Course – Beef, Lamb or Pork with Roast Potatoes & Vegetables Selection Deserts

Coffee or Tea to Finish Still or Sparkling Water



Herd Competition Presentations followed by

Farm Visit to the Tresprison Herd, Gwarth-an-Drea, Mawgen, Helston, Cornwall, TR12 6AD by kind permission of DC & SA Martin

Price: £22.50 (Children: 1 course £9.95, 2 courses £15.95)

Please book your places by Thursday 15th August and state which you would like, Beef, Pork or Lamb. The bank has stipulated cheques will need to be made payable to South Western Limousin Cattle Breeders Club and not SWLCBC. Please send cheques to Diane Richards, Southview Farm, Burtle, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA7 8NB. If paying by bacs please email southwestlimousin@gmail.com

South West Limousin Summer Sale at Exeter on Friday 21st June



The Neales took the top price at Exeter for the Annual Summer Sale. Nealeford Oxford a January 2018 born son of Ampertaine Lieutenant sold for 3500 gns to Mr B Roberts, Poundapitt Farm, Bradninch, Exeter. With 100% clearance for the bulls, Other bulls to 3000gns for 'Killerton Onhisown' from Patrick & Sheila Greed, Onhisown, a March 2018 born, sired by Foxhillfarm Montreal, dam Killerton Lonesome which goes back to Rosecroft Hero. Garry & Lorraine Dunn from the Highridge herd sold their January 2018 born Highridge Oakley at 2600gns, a Claragh Jackpot son, out of Highridge Lyndsey went to purchaser WR Bromell, Great Tree Farm, Chagford. John Garthwaite's bull, Longacre Nocker, by Ionesco sold for 2400gns. The Luxton Family

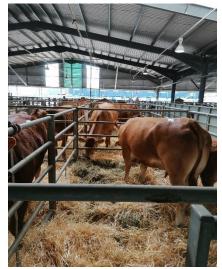
from Bude made 2200gns for Josh Neville, born May 2017 and sired by Loosebeare Docker , selling to P Heard, Meldon Farm, Okehampton.











In the Female section, Harry & Jane Parker had eleven cows with calves at foot selling to 2100 gns for Stourhead Janey sired by Loosebeare Eager. With her bull calf at foot Stourhead Oxford by AI sire Cameos; the outfit was purchased by M Woodridge, Oaklan d House, Okehampton. The Neale Family also took the top price in the Heifer section with Nealford Nightowl selling to 1750gns, a smart incalf heifer, born March 2017 which was sired by Ampertaine Inferno and is out of Nealford June, a Proctors Cavalier da ughter, sold to DC & SA Martin, Tom Hillsdon sold at the Summer Sale at Exeter for the first time and had a pleasing result of 1500gns with Poole Nessie, an October 2017 born and sired by Lasso. Purchasing this heifer was Mr B Quant, Redlands Farm, Kingsk erwell, Newton Abbot to join the Quants herd. Russell Stevens sold breeding heifers Holwellbarton Nicky & Norma which were March & April 2017 born, for 1400gns also heading down to Newton Abbott to join the Quants herd.









Well, it's been a busy few weeks for Everyone; work, weatherwise and also with the South Western Limousin Cattle Breeders' Club.

We look forward to seeing you all at the AGM in September!