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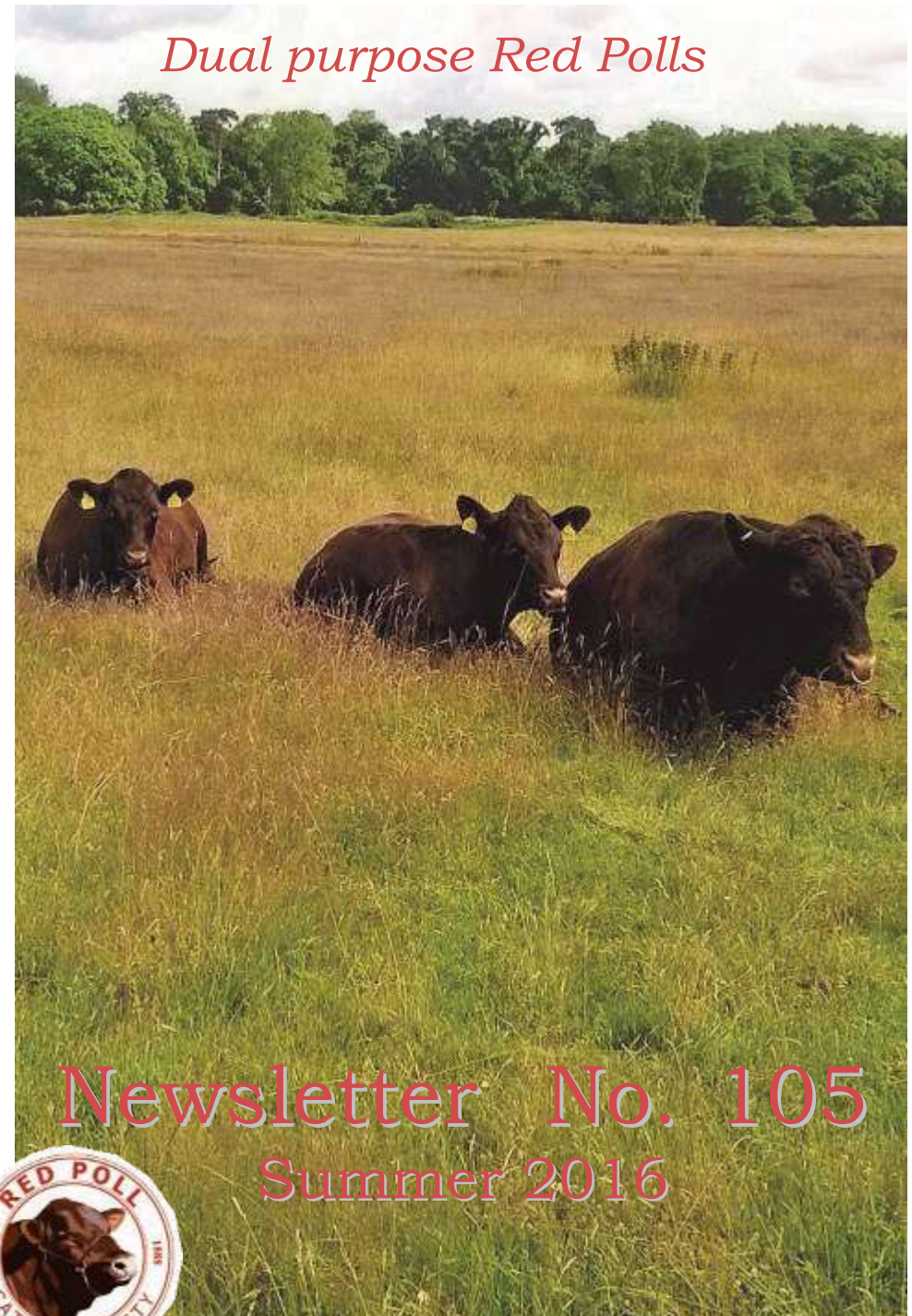
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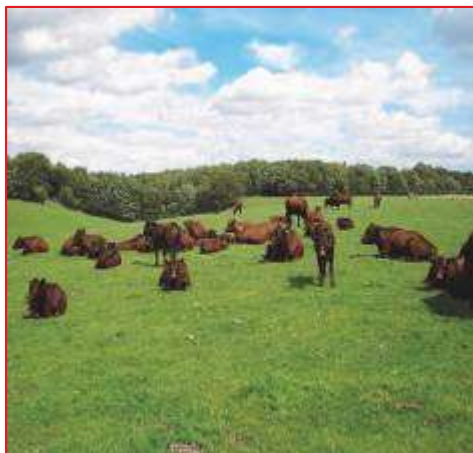
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Fedw Stig 26877



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Winner of the Montrose Cup for the Best Junior Bull,
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EBVs [11/04/2016]	200 Day	400 Day	Muscle Depth	Beef Value	Mat. Prod. Value
Ferdinand	40	87	3.1	44	22
Avg. RP	12	19	1.6	16	7

Semen is available from the RPCS @ £12.50 per straw or you can order 20 straws direct from me for £180 + VAT [including delivery within England/Wales – to Scotland is extra.]

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For livestock sales, please contact the Secretary, Ray Bowler, at the office.
Steers are always wanted.

Advertisements are posted on the website for a month. They may be renewed after this time

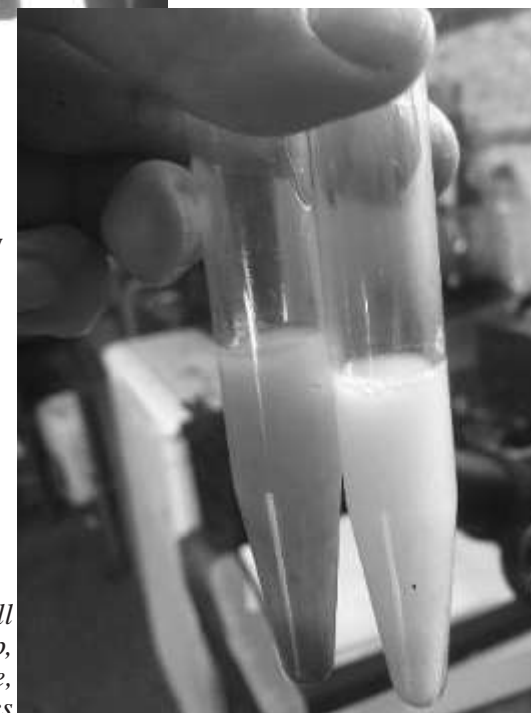


It can sometimes be difficult to tell which is the abnormal testicle – in this case it's both.

The tube on the right shows what a normal semen sample should look like. The sample on the left wouldn't get anything in calf!

Most cases of infertility or sub-fertility, however, are much less dramatic and cannot be detected except on examination of the semen under the microscope. Pre-breeding bull fertility testing helps to ensure a tight calving pattern leading to higher weaning weights and better profit margins.

*Wendy Bottrill
The Park Veterinary Group,
Whetstone,
Leics*



Bull fertility testing

With this year's breeding season well under way, I've been reviewing the bull fertility tests for 2016. I tested 40 bulls, mostly for pre-breeding but some pre-sale or for insurance purposes. These included both pedigree and commercial herds and a wide range of breeds including Red Poll, Lincoln Red, Belgian Blue and British Blue, Charolais, Limousin, Hereford and Angus.

With up to 20% of bulls being sub-fertile, it makes sense to check every bull at the start of the breeding season. The fertility test includes a physical examination and semen collection and analysis and is easily performed where a race and crush are available. A mobile lab can be set up close to the handling system. It needs to be sheltered and have an electricity supply and a flat surface for the microscope but we improvise!

I found a number of sub fertile and infertile bulls during this year's testing season. Reasons for test failures included, in one case, sexual immaturity,

and at the other extreme, old age! Some bulls failed due to having too small a scrotal circumference. Size really does matter and there is a direct relationship between the circumference of the scrotum and the fertility of the bull. Adult bulls should have a scrotal circumference of at least 32cm.

I also picked up evidence of previous inflammation of the reproductive tract in a couple of bulls as well as one spectacular case where the inflammation was dramatic and the semen sample consisted almost entirely of pus!



An ideal mobile laboratory

Year Letter

The year letter for 2016 registrations is G

Registration Fees

Heifer in the Herd Book of year of birth £12

Heifer outside the Herd Book of year of birth £24

Bull £80 Transfer of ownership £10

Please note that the Herd Book closes at the end of January for entries from the preceding year. When you sell a Red Poll, please return the pedigree certificate to the office. The certificate will be sent to the new owner on payment, by the buyer or seller, of the transfer fee.

Advertising in Red Poll News

As a member, you can take a full page advertisement for £25. The rate for non members is £50. Half pages are priced pro rata.

For livestock sales, please contact the Secretary, Ray Bowler, at the office. Steers are always wanted.

Membership Subscriptions as from 1st January 2016

Registering:	£50
Associate:	£25
Overseas:	£30 in sterling
Life Registering Member:	£750
Life Associate Member:	£300
Life Overseas Member:	£500

Membership Records 2016

New Members for election to membership – Meeting on 9th July 2016.

Total: 386 as at 1st July 2016

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SECRETARY'S REPORTS

March 2016

This is traditionally the meeting where I give a resume of the previous year but as this is the second meeting of 2016 this has already been given, apart from stating the final numbers of registrations for 2015.

We ended up with 27 bulls, 820 full pedigree heifers and 88 grading heifers. This make a total of 935 compared with 930 in 2015, I am really pleased with the figures as at one time I felt it was going to very difficult to get anywhere near the number of last year, however it did take a lot of chasing with members. 135 members registered in 2015 compared with 140 in 2014.

I haven't been on any visits since the last meeting but have been to two meetings at Sandringham, to Joy Broughton's for a Smithfield Festival meeting and to Ravenstone for a Project Group meeting.

There are no new members and no changes to membership since the last meeting, we have 384 members in total. Since the last Council meeting six information packs have been posted out.

Out of interest I have just received the latest printout from BCMS which gives the numbers of animals registered as alive with them as on 1st January 2016. Red Polls numbers are: Pure bred - England: 6562 females, 2547 males (2015 - 6384 females, 2530 males) Scotland: 120 females, 37 males

(2015 - 97 females, 19 males)
Wales: 183 females, 53 males (2015 - 183 females, 32 males) Totals: 9502 cattle (2014 - 9245 cattle)
Cross breeds – England: 1487 females, 747 males (2015 - 1407 females, 668 males) Scotland: 120 females, 35 males (2015 - 104 females, 35 males) Wales: 93 females, 20 males (2015 – 84 females, 27 males) Totals: 2502 cattle (2015 - 2325 cattle)

There haven't been any semen sales this year and no bulls have as yet been inspected and registered.

The situation with regards to Probationary judges is the same as at the last meeting. Regarding cattle sales, there have been a few deals which have gone through lately, particularly with regards to older bulls, Joy Broughton has been of great help in this. There are also a few deals pending. Can I please ask that if you have stock for sale, or you are looking to purchase, then please let me know so they can be advertised on the website.

9th July 2016

There are 6 new members for election at this meeting, 2 last year. There are 386 members – 394 at this meeting last year. 4 members have cancelled their membership since the last meeting. This is due to the increased membership fees and them no longer keeping cattle.

World Red Poll Congress June 1-25, 2017

Welcome World Red Poll Breeders,

Excitement for the FIFTEENTH INTERNATIONAL RED POLL CONGRESS AND TOUR in the USA in 2017 is starting to build and we, the American Red Poll Association, extend an invitation to all Red Poll breeders to come to the USA and see our cattle and our country. It is 25 days and will encompass Red Poll cattle in differing US management styles, agriculture, historical places ranging from Appalachian settlements to the Biltmore Estate, entertainment from baseball to the famous Budweiser Clydesdales, as well as relaxation to visit and discuss the day's happenings. Any questions contact Melissa at Croswell Tours or Dan or Mary Jo Schmiesing at mardanacres@gmail.com.

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Since the last meeting I have sent Jenkins three, Joy Broughton three, out 24 information packs to persons with Terry Mancey and Mark Cheetham carrying out one each. enquiring about the Society.

Since the last meeting the majority of my time for the Society has been taken up with attending shows, along with the other normal day to day administration work. Shows attended being: Beef Expo, Suffolk, Three Counties, Cheshire, Norfolk and this week the Livestock Event. Following Beef Expo and visiting my family in Yorkshire, I visited a couple of members, the Prescott's included to inspect a bull and to meet a prospective new member from Essex who hopefully will be buying stock and becoming a member very soon. It has been pleasing to catch up with many members at the shows together with getting a few new names which hopefully will result in new members and cattle sales in the future. As I have said on numerous occasions it is as important to keep contact with existing members as it is to get new ones.

As requested by Council I have to report on the inspection and registration of bulls since the last meeting. There have been 15, 4 x M0, 7 x M1 and 1 x M2, with the other three awaiting results. The point scores for these bulls have been 177, 178, 164, 176, 176, 184, 182, 166, 169, 161, 161, 160, 150, 180 & 168. I have carried out seven of the inspections, five were at one time for Tony Barratt, Denis

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Semen sales continue to be very steady with 66 straws being sold since the last meeting, of which 50 were to a single member – 20 Fedw Tomos & 30 Lavenham Sir Galahad. In addition to these were the 500 straws donated to the RBST Archive Semen Bank as agreed at the last meeting.

Cattle sales have been steady with a few sales going through. Of particular note is the sale of the Barkham Square herd to a relatively new member in Dorset. They are in the process of purchasing all the cattle, some 60 plus head, but are waiting until all the cows have calved and the calves to be at least a month old before being moved. There are several batches of cattle for sale which can be found on the website.

Herd Competition entries have been coming in steadily, I have had to chase members in my area, I know that other Field Officers have done the same.

David Hunt attended the Three Counties Show as his first Probationary Judge role. Helen Arthan attended her second Probationary Judge appointment at the Norfolk Show. Andrew Kirk's report was excellent for Helen.

Ray Bowler

Red Poll Cattle Society Annual Dinner
8th October 2016

at the
The Gables Hotel,
Bristol Road, Falfield, Glos., GL12 8DL

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Raffle of donated items in support of the Society

Visit to the Boseley Herd on 9th October

The president, Simon Phelps, has kindly arranged for us to visit his Boseley Herd. See enclosed form or the website www.redpoll.org

RED POLL



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*Well - what a day!!
As I was in the queue waiting to get
through security, getting soaked and*

*attitude of following rules so
therefore no umbrella, I fleetingly*

*worth the effort!!
As a poncho appeared and I joined*

*doubts were totally unfounded!
What a fantastic afternoon, well
organised, apart from the queue for
the tea, great company and a
wonderful view of proceedings.*

*and will probably never be again so
it felt a real privilege to be there.
The atmosphere was fabulous and
everyone had a thoroughly good day
out.
Thanks for organising it!*

Tina & Richard Glanville

*The day was not one for hay
making but great to get the grass
growing, allowing us to enjoy the*

*all ways apart from the cut of
beef in the M&S
sandwiches! Our thanks to
Terina for organising us so
efficiently and we must all give
gratitude for the patronage we
receive.*

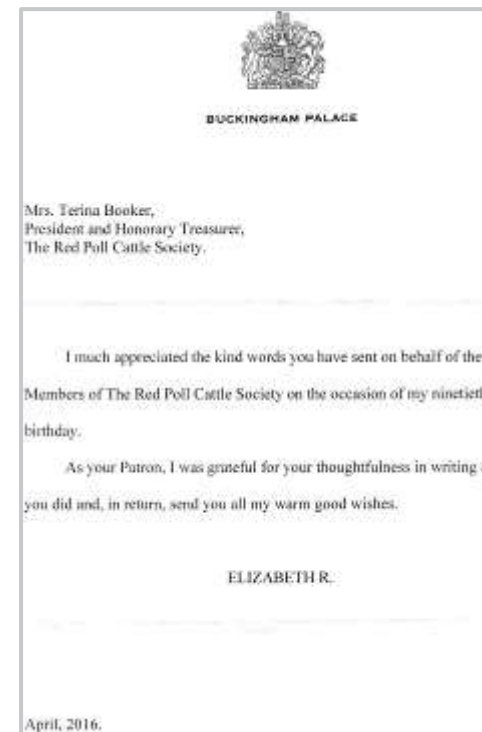
Oliver Paul

*Rain, rain go away, we're here to
celebrate our Queen's 90th birthday*

*connected with charities and
organisations that Her Majesty is the
Patron of with a street party on The
Mall, London.*

little rain as it poured for a while

Gill & Mark Martin



The Patron's Lunch – 12th June 2016

Fourteen of us gradually gathered at table 36, section K on The Mall in steady rain, all donning the ponchos supplied. Several of us had chanced the blanket ban on umbrellas, being prepared to dump them if necessary rather than arriving soaking wet but it turned out collapsible umbrellas were OK, just full length umbrellas being strictly regulated as potential weapons of mass destruction!

Whilst going through four stages of security, we started to be given various goodies from PG Tips (commemorative cup & saucer) and Boots Chemist (sun block and plasters – we assumed the first for the distant threat of sunshine and the second to help with the effect of wearing new shoes!) Once through the airline-type security, the first thing to do was to collect your hamper – and what a hamper - a lovely wicker basket full of M&S goodies with SEVEN ice packs to make sure that no-one suffered food poisoning, had the weather been hot all day. We were lucky to be near the large screen, so could read the messages coming through on social media – Sarah quickly phoned Sally to send one for the Society – composed by us all chipping in suggestions.

The parades were glorious – the first time round in ponchos but as the weather improved, the ponchos were discarded by those in the parade and in the audience. We spotted 'Red Poll Cattle Society' in our group named 'Animals', the board being held aloft by a volunteer next to another volunteer sporting a fox head – we were pleased that it was not a badger head!

Many members of the Royal Family spent a great deal of time talking to the guests, so much so that they were hurried along before they got to our group, as The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh were being driven along behind them.

A wonderful day, eventually wonderful weather, and, of course, wonderful company.

Terina Booker



The Boseley Herd

The Boseley Herd was founded in 1953 with some of the original cows purchased by my father —Humphrey Phelps from Colonel Darby of Kemerton Court. I particularly remember one of these cows, Kemerton Dinah 2nd; where she stood in the cowshed and the rather ungainly shape of her udder. Nevertheless this cow proved extremely durable and produced many calves. Longevity has been a noticeable trait in the Dinah family; Boseley Dinah 95 born in 2002 is now our oldest cow and in calf again.

We gave up milking in December 2012 and transferred to suckling all of our existing cows. Admittedly when some calved their udders looked rather alarming. But the cows soon settled down to produce milk for one calf and we were pleased that we no longer had problems with scouring as can happen when bucket fed. The whole herd has become much more docile too.

For many years we fattened cattle to thirty months but we now sell them as strong stores.

For a number of years my father strayed away from the Red Polls and had some Friesian and Friesian/Jersey crosses. However, upon my leaving school my father and I attended a Red Poll Field Day at Major Phillipson-Stow's at Underhill farm and also Adrian Darby's at Kemerton Court. At this event I had the privilege of meeting Mr Jim Sherriff, a Red Poll breeder of great renown. After this event we gradually bred up the number of our Red Polls. We also bought some heifers from Mr Sherriff's Capps Herd and later some from Mrs Walmsley's Gedding Herd and Mrs Stennett's Braiseworth Herd.

The first Red Poll bull I remember on the farm was Seven Springs Monarch bred by Captain Alan Richardson. We used A.I. bulls quite extensively and also purchased Mautby Billy and Longdendale Mystic. Latterly we have bred Boseley Duke Rufus, Boseley Caesar, Boseley Buccaneer and Boseley Burgundy.

*Simon Phelps
President*

The Tatro School, Kenya



The two heifers arrived amid much excitement at The Tatro School in Kenya and one has since calved. She had a heifer which is great news for their continuing milk supplies!



Bull, born before 1st January 2014

1st Lavenham Sir Caradoc, Lady Victoria Getty

Champion bull

CH Lavenham Sir Caradoc, Lady Victoria Getty

RES CH Hopeham Fauzie, Gerald & Sarah Barnes

Breed Champion

Br CH Lavenham Sir Caradoc, Lady Victoria Getty

RES Br CH Oak House Whoopsy Daisy, Oak House Farm

Best Pair

SP Heathgate Frank, D M Jenkins

SP Heathgate Floyd, D M Jenkins

RES SP Lavenham Brook Sir Brastius, Lady Victoria Getty

RES SP Lavenham Brook Primrose, Lady Victoria Getty

Best Group of Three

SP Heathgate Frank, D M Jenkins

SP Heathgate Floyd, D M Jenkins

SP Heathgate Eliza, D M Jenkins

RES SP Oak House Fudge, Oak House Farm

RES SP Oak House Evie, Oak House Farm

RES SP Oak House Flake, Oak House Farm



Suffolk Show 2016

Maiden heifer, born on or after 1 January 2015

- 1st Nobodys Illora, J Broughton
- 2nd Lavenham Brook Primrose, Lady Victoria Getty
- 3rd Watergate Hermione, J & A Hunt
- 4th Nobodys Illora, J Broughton
- 5th Oak House Francesca, Oak House Farm

Maiden heifer, born on or between 1 January 2014 and 31 December 2014

- 1st Lavenham Kirstie, Lady Victoria Getty
- 2nd Heathgate Eliza, D M Jenkins
- 3rd Capel Manor Enya, Capel Manor College
- 4th Watergate Gertrude, A & J Hunt
- 5th Oak House Evie, Oak House Farm

Heifer, in calf or with calf at foot (first calf)

- 1st Watergate Foxglove (with calf at foot), J & A Hunt

Dry Cow

- 1st Oak House Wanda, Oak House Farm

Cow, in milk or with calf at foot

- 1st Oak House Whoopsy Daisy, Oak House Farm
- 2nd Lavenham Rhiannon, Lady Victoria Getty
- 3rd Watergate Emma (with calf at foot), J & A Hunt
- 4th Heathgate Clover, D M Jenkins
- 5th Ironstone Hillary 3rd, Capel Manor College

Best Suckled Calf

- SP Watergate Emma (with calf at foot)
RES SP Oak House Whoopsy Daisy, Oak House Farm

Cow with best udder

- SP Oak House Whoopsy Daisy, Oak House Farm
RES SP Watergate Emma (with calf at foot)

Champion Female

- SP Oak House Whoopsy Daisy, Oak House Farm
RES SP Lavenham Rhiannon, Lady Victoria Getty

Best Maiden Heifer. The first and second prize winners from to parade

- SP Lavenham Kirstie, Lady Victoria Getty
RES SP Heathgate Eliza, D M Jenkins

Bull, born on or after 1st January 2015

- 1st Hopeham Fauzie, Gerald & Sarah Barnes
- 2nd Andrew Frederick Eros, Peter & Tilly Grint
- 3rd Heathgate Floyd, D M Jenkins

Diana Flack

Diana was one of life's great characters and she had a great passion for life, despite during recent years being very physically restricted. She loved to be among people and livestock and was never happier than when the two were combined. Her love of parties and those which she organised in Wales and at The Royal Welsh Show were legendary.

Diana was without doubt the finest salesperson I have ever met, the Red Poll breed owes a tremendous debt of gratitude for a lifetime devoted to promoting them. In recent times her efforts have been responsible for them entering pedigree and commercial herds throughout the length and breadth of this country, into Scotland and Ireland. It never ceases to amaze me how many people say I have Red Polls because of Diana Flack. When she got someone interested she did not rest until they had taken delivery of some cattle. She did not just put buyer and seller together, but she kept control of the sale to make sure that all went smoothly and this generally included arranging transport in the most efficient and economical way possible.

Diana had great pride in everything which was part of her. She loved to tell of the achievements of her children and grandchildren, be it the dragon boat racing of her late daughter Helen, the top show awards of son Philip's black Welsh sheep or the achievements of his three boys on the Rugby field in the Young Farmers or with livestock.

Diana's other great talent is one granted to only a few as a truly great judge of stock are born and not taught. She could pick the best animal in a yard of thirty or more so quickly and equally she could pick a fault that many other lesser talents would miss. Diana has kept and promoted Red Poll cattle for over sixty years. During her time as the National Field Officer she not only brought in many new members but also managed to improve prices to levels which were of great benefit to all breeders.

When Diana's husband Tony died some seven years ago everyone wondered how she would manage, but her sales skills came to the rescue for it was while using these skills for Tim and Emma Waygood at Church Farm, Ardley that she met James Quinn and they hit it off as two kindred spirits who had both suffered bereavement. The last six years of Diana's life have been full of happiness despite physical disability and pain because of the great care and companionship that James gave her.

It is good to celebrate the life of someone who has done as much as Diana and hope as a tribute to her we will make sure the Red Poll breed that she loved and worked so hard for continues to go from strength to strength in the future.

Tony Barratt



Mrs Diana Flack
Judge at Royal 1996

Royal Norfolk Show 2016

29th & 30th June

It was a great honour to be asked by the Red Poll Society to judge at this Royal Norfolk Show. The overall quality of the cattle was impressive. The judging started with the heifers born on or after 1/1/2015, seven entries all very good cattle. 1st in this class went to Joy Broughton with Nobodys Illora, a very good young heifer. The second group to judge heifers born in 2014 Dennis Jenkins got the 1st prize with Heathgate Eliza, this animal also took female and overall champion. This heifer took my eye as soon as she walked in to the ring big and powerful. Her performance in the show



ring showed to me why Red Polls could compete with other breeds and give them a run for their money, what an outstanding heifer.

The next class with only two entries, the winner being Watergate Foxglove, what a perfect heifer and calf the quality of this animal near faultless. Heathgate Clover 1st in cow in-milk class. Bulls born after 1/1/2015, five entries, the winning bull Andrew Frederick Eros by Peter and Tilly Grint. A lovely young bull with the best rump in the ring of bulls, a good strong bull that should grow on to be a good addition to the Red Poll bull register. He was also Male Champion. Only one bull put forward in the older bull class but Wickham Whirlwind was a worthy winner.

The Championship was the most difficult decision Heathgate Eliza or Watergate Foxglove, both animals at the top of the Red Poll tree. I gave Heathgate Eliza



“ The Suffolk Show Report 1st & 2nd June 2016 ”



It was a privilege and a pleasure to judge the Red Poll classes at this year's show. Entries were good especially in the youngstock classes, but numerically not in the adult classes.

Joy Broughton won the first maiden heifer class, those born on or after 1st January 2015 with Nobodys Illora, sired by Beasthorpe Samson, she was followed by Lady Getty's Lavenham Brook Primrose, by Lavenham Sir Caradoc. These were followed by A. & J. Hunt's, Watergate Hermione sired by Nobodys Orange Chilli.

In the older heifer class Lady Getty's Lavenham Kirstie, an Onenfawr Prince daughter, won with Denis Jenkins's Heathgate Eliza, a Seakawk Vimto daughter, second and Caple Manor College's, Caple Manor Enya third, she is by Heathgate Caradoc.

There was only one animal in the in-calf/calf at foot heifer class this being A. & J. Hunt's Watergate Foxglove a Sandilands Romeo daughter, she had a very nice calf at foot.

There was only one entry in Dry cow class, Oak House Wanda, owned by the Woolf family, this Onenfawr Prince daughter gave a good account of herself.

Oak House Farm's in-milk cow, Oak House Whoopsy Daisy, again sired by Onenfawr Prince, won this class followed by Lady Getty's Lavenham Rhiannon, also sired by Onenfawr Prince, third was Watergate Emma by Sandilands Romeo. The first two could have changed places but I gave it to Whoopsy Daisy as she is a big square framed cow that appeals to me. Whoopsy Daisy is 10 years old, Rhiannon is 9 years, both have worn very well with both animals being excellent advertisements for the breed.

The best sucked calf I gave to the calf of Watergate Emma, with Whoopsy Daisy's calf second whilst the best

udder I awarded to Whoopsy Daisy with Emma second. I made Oak House Whoopsy my Female Champion with Lavenham Rhiannon reserve. Lady Getty's Lavenham Kirstie was best heifer with Denis Jenkins's Heathgate Eliza reserve.

In the bull classes there was an excellent turnout. In the young bull class I awarded first place to Gerald and Sarah Barnes's Hopeham Fauzie, an excellent young bull by Hopeham Chinook, I look forward to seeing him as he grows. The Grints Andrew Fredrick Eros, a Andrew Fredrick Viscount son, was second with Denis Jenkins's Heathgate Floyd in third, he is a son of the award winning bull Bridgham Lancelot.

Unfortunately there was only one entry in the senior bull class, this being Lady Getty's Lavenham Sir Caradoc, a Lavenham Sir Lancelot son. I consider this bull to be extremely impressive, he would have won in any company. I made him Male Champion and Overall Breed Champion. Reserve Male Champion was Hopeham Fauzie with Overall Reserve being Oak House Whoopsy Daisy.

Best pair were from Denis Jenkins, who also won the group of three, these cattle were very well matched. Reserve best pair were from Lady Getty, with the reserve group of three going to the Woolf family.

The exhibitors of all the cattle must to congratulate and thanked for their support of the breed in its native county. I couldn't help remembering the first time that Red Polls had been shown at the Suffolk show after an interval of very many years. It was the Centenary year of the Red Poll Cattle Society, there were 27 entries forward, The Duke of Edinburgh presented bronze medals to each exhibitor to commemorate the occasion.

Philip Ryder-Davies

champion with Watergate Foxglove a very close runner up. After judging it was pointed out to me that the Champion was Norfolk born and bred, congratulations to Denis and all his helpers.

Also a very big thank you to Helen Arthan who was helping as a Probationer Judge. I am sure Helen will be judging Red Poll cattle around the country soon.

Thanks to the Royal Norfolk Show for putting on an outstanding event, also I would like to congratulate all competitors on the excellent stock put forward it was a superb show of Red Poll cattle.

Andrew Kirk

Heifer, born on or after 1st January 2015

- 1st Nobodys Illora, J Broughton
- 2nd Nobodys Ismene, J Broughton
- 3rd Heathgate Freda, D Jenkins
- 4th Watergate Hermione, J & A Hunt

Heifer born 1st January 2014 & 31st December 2014

- 1st Heathgate Eliza, D Jenkins
- 2nd Hopeham Elegant, G & S Barnes
- 3rd Watergate Gertrude, J & A Hunt

Heifer in calf or with calf at foot

- 1st Watergate Foxglove, J & A Hunt
- 2nd Heathgate Freya, D Jenkins

Cow, in milk, in calf or with calf at foot

- 1st Heathgate Clover, D Jenkins
- 2nd Hepworth Tansy, R Brookes

Bull, born after 1st January 2015

- 1st Andrew Frederick Eros, P & T Grint
- 2nd Hopeham Fauzie, G & S Barnes
- 3rd Heathgate Frank, D Jenkins
- 4th Heathgate Floyd, D. Jenkins
- 5th Nobodys Intrepid, J Broughton

Bull born prior to 1st January 2015

- 1st Wickham Whirlwind, P Rackham

Championship and Reserve Rosette and Card for the best Bull

- Chp Andrew Frederick Eros, P & T Grint
- Res Chp Hopeham Fauzie, G & S Barnes

Best of Breed – The Bradwell Cup

- Champion – Heathgate Eliza, D Jenkins
- Res Champion – Andrew Frederick, P & T Grint



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Dual Purpose Pairs Championship

Champion Red Poll—Hinwick Bracken, Mrs M V Dawes

Dual Purpose Cow and Calf Championship

Champion Bowland Yoland, Mr S E W Temple

Dual Purpose Cow and Calf Championship

Champion Reserve Moreton Baby Bluff, Moreton Red Polls

Dual Purpose Exhibitor Pairs Championship

Champion—Moreton Baby Bluff, Moreton Red Polls

Champion Reserve—Best Pair, Mr L Digweed

Third—Pair, Mr S E W Temple

Fourth—Best Pair, Blunt Farming



Breed champions



Young handlers

Three Counties Show 2016

Bull any age

- 1st Appleton Claudius, Mrs M V Dawes
2nd Pinguis Duke, J R Williams
3rd Pinguis Emperor, J R Williams

Maiden Heifer, not less than 10 months and not more than 20 months old on 1st June 2016

- 1st Mendip Florentine, S Tanner & J Davis
2nd Hinwick Foxtail, Mrs M V Dawes
3rd Abbey Fusia, Blunt Farming
4th Pinguis Emily 15th, J R Williams

Heifer, in calf or in milk for first calving, under three years of age at date of calving

- 1st Abbey Daffodil, Blunt Farming
2nd Marsh House Winifred's Eliza, Mrs Mclaughlin
3rd Moreton Dire Dawa, T & H Mancey

Cow, dry, any age

- 1st Moreton Lady Africa, T & H Mancey
2nd Abbey Tillia, Blunt Farming
3rd Hinwick Rosa 2nd, Mrs M V Dawes

Cow, in milk, any age

- 1st Abbey Blackberry, Blunt Farming
2nd Hinwick Bracken, Mrs M V Dawes
3rd Pinguis Emily 12th, J R Williams

Breed Champion, male or female. The Underhills Perpetual Salver, a gift of Miss Rosemary Philipson-Stow

- Champion Red Poll—Appleton Claudius, Mrs M V Dawes
Champion Reserve Red Poll—Moreton Lady Africa, T & H Mancey

Best Bull, under three years old on the 1st day of the show—TCAS Rosettes for best bull and reserve

- Champion Red Poll—Pinguis Emperor, J R Williams
Champion Reserve—Red Poll—Chorlton Lane Fella, Ms Arthan

Best Heifer, not exceeding three years and three months of age on the 18 June 2016

- Champion Red Poll—Abbey Daffodil, Blunt Farming
Champion Reserve Red Poll—Mendip Florentine, S Tanner & J Davis

Open Pairs—Breed Society to select best pair of female animals, any age

- Special Red Poll—Chorlton Lane Diamond, Ms Arthan
Special Red Poll—Abbey Blackberry, Blunt Farming



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Regional Field Officer Arrangements

The Society operates a system of Honorary Regional Field Officers, as it has become clear that it is very difficult for one individual to cover the whole country. The system is co-ordinated by our Secretary, Ray Bowler. A list of Regional Field Officers is given below with contact details:

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We hope that you will have the opportunity to meet your Regional Field Officer before too long.

Class 14 was a bull born before 1/1/2014. Here we had two senior bulls that were very similar, and in the end I went for M. Paddock and S. Marsden's Chorlton Lane Albert which I felt had a deeper loin and longer rump than the runner up J. William's Pinguis Duke which had possibly the better front.

I later chose Albert as Male Champion and Ferdinand as Junior Champion.

Next was Junior Champion which was between Chorlton Lane Evanessa and Bowland Ferdinand, and here I went for Evanessa, which as I have said before is a very correct classy heifer.

For the Exhibitor Bred Champion I went for Watergate Foxglove over Chorlton Lane Evanessa; a difficult decision between two classy animals. And for the Breed Champion I again went for Foxglove over the Champion bull Chorlton Lane Albert.

It was close, but I felt that the heifer epitomised what a Red Poll should be.

Best pair went to J&A Hunt with two very even heifers, and in the group of three, S. Temple reversed the placings in the previous class by producing three quality heifers.

And finally class 22; Best Progeny Group where a group by T. Mancey's Moreton Percy stood out.

Overall I enjoyed judging these cattle. I feel that livestock shows have almost become a beauty contest or even a Mr. or Ms. Universe contest where the biggest or best groomed animal gets the prize with no regard for the practical aspects of a breed. And if a show animal is overfed or over groomed, it is easy to camouflage faults or bad traits. I am happy to say that this was not apparent in the Red Polls that were presented, and I say congratulations to all the exhibitors.

Finally came the Young Handler classes. There were no entries in the U 14 class, and in the Over 14 class there were five competitors. I put them through their paces as best I could, and I could not really separate them. I did identify a possible winner in my mind, but I did not want to separate the rest of them down to five places. They were five very fine young people who handled their stock very well.

In retrospect I admit that I did not take their personal appearance and turnout into account which I know I should have. Finally I decided to draw lots for the winner, which was not satisfactory really. To those five young people, I say —Well done, and may I wish you all the best in the future.

I would like to thank Helen and John for their help in stewarding, and Simon and Ray and everybody for their help and hospitality during the day.

Ernest Mackey

2016 Royal Cheshire Show – Judge’s Report

RED POLL NATIONAL SHOW

I was very pleased and honoured to be asked to judge at this year’s National Show. We were very lucky with the weather on the day, as there had been very heavy rain on the previous day and evening. About 40 different cattle were presented for judging in 22 classes. This number was down from expectations, due to TB restrictions.

Class 1 was a maiden heifer born 1/1 to 31/03, 2015. There was good entry in this class, and a difficult class to start with, as the overall standard was very good. However I felt that Joy Broughton’s Nobodys Illora stood out with a very good overall confirmation, and as second I chose J&A Hunt’s Watergate Hermione, a very feminine heifer.

Class 2 was a maiden heifer born 1/1 to 31/12/2015. Again, a tight class where A. Bickerton’s Pear Tree Zara stood out slightly over the rest. No entries for class 3, and Class 4 was a maiden heifer born 1/1 to 31/12/2014. Here I chose H. Arthan’s Chorlton Lane Evanessa as the winner. She is a very correct heifer with excellent confirmation and I later chose her as best maiden heifer for the Oaklands Trophy.

Class 5 was a heifer in calf or with first calf at foot. Here J&A Hunt’s Watergate Foxglove stood out. More of her later.

Class 6 was a dry cow, where there was only one entry; T. Mancey’s Moreton Lady Africa which deserved a red rosette.

Class 7 was a cow in milk or with calf at foot, which was won by S. Temple’s Bowland Yolande, which was Breed Champion at last year’s National Show. Yolande is still an outstanding cow, and her calf took the Best Suckling Calf Class. The cow with the best udder in this class was J. William’s Pinguis Emily 12th a good tight udder with well placed small teats. I think that this a very important class as young calves can have great difficulty in sucking big udders down near the ground, and great efforts should be made when choosing replacement heifers and future bulls dams. I choose Watergate Foxglove as Female Champion for the Central Counties Assoc. Cup. This came down to a contest between Foxglove and Lady Africa, and I went for Foxglove, as I felt that she really represented the breed with elegance and style.

Class 12 was a bull born on or after 1/1/ 2015. Here I went for S. Temple’s Bowland Ferdinand which is a good solid all round bull, and has the capacity to be a champion in the future.

Class 13 was a bull born between 1/1 & 31/01/2014. There was only one bull presented; J. William’s Pinguis Emperor which deserved the red rosette as he was again a good all round bull.

Hadleigh Show Results

21st May 2016

Cow in calf or with calf at foot

- 1st Longhorn
- 2nd Galloway
- 3rd Lincoln Red
- 4th Lavenham Lady Rhianna, Lady Getty

Heifer in calf or empty

- 1st Oak House Evie. G Woolf
- 2nd Lavenham Kirstie. Lady Getty
- 3rd Lavenham Brook Primrose, Lady Getty

Bull any age

- 1st Lavenham Sir Caradoc, Lady Getty
- 2nd British White

Shropshire Show Results

28th May 2016

Rare and Minority Breeds

Bull any age

- 1st Pinguis Duke, J R Williams
- 2nd Pinguis Emperor, J R Williams

Female born 2015 or 2016

- 1st British White
- 2nd Pinguis Emily 15th, J R Williams
- 3rd Julaw Poppy, L E Dixon
- 4th Pear Tree Kara, A R Bickerton
- 5th Pear Tree Ruby, A R Bickerton

Female born 2013 or before

- 1st Pear Tree Sherry, A R Bickerton
- 2nd Julaw Naomi, L E Dixon
- 3rd Pinguis Emily 10th, J R Williams
- 4th Pinguis Emily 12th, J R Williams
- 5th Julaw Ingot, L E Dixon

Staffordshire Show Results

31st May & 1st June 2016

Any other rare and minority breed bull of any age

- 2nd and Reserve Champion Chorlton Lane Albert, M Paddock
- 4th Chorlton Lane Fella, H R Arthan

Maiden heifer 10-22 months

- 1st Oaklands Bonnie, H Langley
- 3rd Moreton Baby Falmouth, T&H Mancey
- 4th Oaklands Rhubarb, H Langley

Heifer in calf or in milk

- 1st Moreton Fiona 3rd. T&H Mancey
- 2nd Marsh House Winifred’s Eliza. P. McLaughlin

Female Dry or in Milk

- 2nd Moreton Lady Africa, T&H Mancey
- 3rd Eaves Camellia, M Paddock

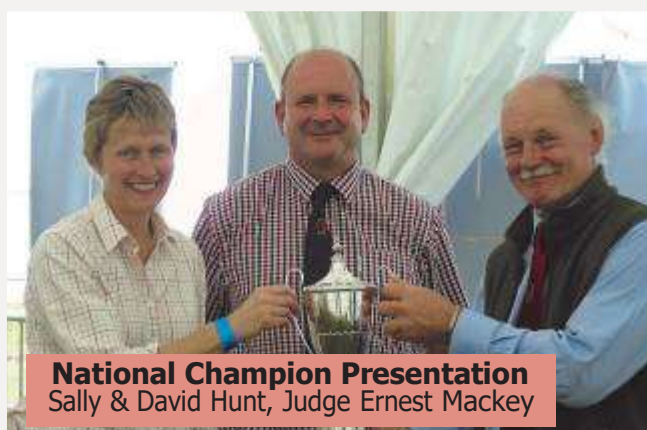


Hertfordshire Show

28th & 29th May

Heather Taylor showed in Any Other Native class and came 1st with Rainsmere Foxglove. She was also placed (therefore 1st Red Poll) with Capel Manor Enya. She was 1st in pairs and reserve Champion Dual Purpose.

Cheshire Show Results—2016 National Show



“ **Breed Champion** ”

Watergate Foxglove



Class 1 Maiden Heifer Born 1/1 To 31/3/2015

Nobodys Illora J Broughton
Watergate Hermione J & A Hunt
Moreton Baby Fairlie T Mancey

Class 2 Maiden Heifer Born 1/4 To 31/12/2015

Pear Tree Zara Pear A Bickerton
Tree Victoria A Bickerton
Raimsmere Foxglove Capel Manor College

Class 3 Maiden Heifer Born 1/1 To 31/3/2014

No Entries

Class 4 Maiden Heifer Born 1/4 To 31/12/2014

Chorlton Lane Evanescence H Arthan
Capel Manor Enya Capel Manor College
Watergate Gertrude J & A Hunt

Class 5 Heifer In Calf Or With First Calf At Foot

Watergate Foxglove J & A Hunt
Moreton Baby Drury T Mancey
Bowland Evita S Temple

Class 6 Dry Cow

Moreton Lady Africa T Mancey
One Entry

Class 7 Cow In Milk Or With Calf At Foot

Bowland Yolande S Temple
Pinguis Emily 12th J Williams
Pear Tree Sherry A Bickerton

Class 8 S C P Best Suckling Calf

Calf Of Bowland Yolande S Temple
Calf Of Eaves Camellia M Paddock & S Marsden

Class 9 Sp Cow With Best Udder

Pinguis Emily 12th J Williams
Chorlton Lane Crystal H Arthan

Class 10 Sp Female Champion

Ch. Watergate Foxglove J & A Hunt
Res. Moreton Lady Africa T Mancey

Class 11 Sp Best Maiden Heifer

Ch. Chorlton Lane Evanescence H Arthan
Res. Nobodys Illora J Broughton

Class 12 Bull Born on or After 1/1/2015

Bowland Ferdinand S Temple
Pinguis Frederick J Williams
Nobodys Intrepid J Broughton

Class 13 Bull Born Between 1/1 & 31/1/2014

Pinguis Emperor J Williams
One Entry

Class 14 Bull Born Before 1/1/2014

Chorlton Lane Albert M Paddock & S Marsden
Pinguis Duke J Williams

Two Entries

Class 15 Sp Male Champion

Ch. Chorlton Lane Albert M Paddock & S Marsden
Res. Bowland Ferdinand S Temple

Class 16 Sp Best Junior Bull

Ch. Bowland Ferdinand S Temple
Res. Pinguis Emperor J Williams

Class 17 Sp Junior Champion

Ch. Chorlton Lane Evanescence H Arthan
Res. Bowland Ferdinand S Temple

Class 18 Sp Exhibitor Breed Champion

Ch. Watergate Foxglove J & A Hunt
Res. Chorlton Lane Evanescence H Arthan

Class 19 Sp Breed Champion

Ch. Watergate Foxglove J & A Hunt
Res. Chorlton Lane Albert M Paddock & S Marsden

Class 20 Best Pair

J & A Hunt
S Temple

Class 21 Best Group of Three

S Temple
J & A Hunt

Class 22 Sp Best Progeny Group

T Mancey (Group By Moreton Percy)
S Temple (Group Out Of Bowland Yolande)

Junior Young Handler Under 14

No Entries

Senior Young Handler Over 14

Stephen Williams
Heather Taylor