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English Guernsey Cattle Society National Champion
Tredinney Echo Alicia
(RJ & JR Warren)

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Tredinney Harrys Lilian 10 (RJ & JR Warren)



Honourable Mention
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EDITOR'S LETTER

It feels like only yesterday that I was putting together last year's content for the journal, and yet so much has happened. In the spring it was great to finally move away from Zoom and meet members face to face.

Mark Jones and I had some fantastic days out visiting the Leighgrange, Woodlands, Kimcote, Bickfield and Hinton herds. We were treated to some amazing weather looking round some terrific stock, thank you to those who gave up their time to show us round.

In the Autumn I attended the Dairy Day and Dairy Show which was a great opportunity to put more faces to names, and see some wonderful cows and calves on show. I have spent the last 12 months getting up to speed on how the Society works. Caroline Cox and Nigel Kennard were extremely helpful in the handover

and remain on the end of the phone as and when things arise. Thanks to them for making the transition easy.

A huge thanks to the committee and members for their support over the past year in particular James Warren and Mark Jones for always being available to lend a helping hand or provide some direction. I look forward to working closely with the new Presidents, Nick and Christine Gosling, and the rest of the committee in continuing to drive the EGCS forward. Please do get in touch if I can be of help with anything. Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and all the best for 2022.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

What is the future of the breed?



Handing of 'The Cow' from Mark Jones to Nick Gosling at the AGM.



Even with a vibrant society during the 70s, 80s and 90s the Guernsey breed still declined. It fell victim to the ending of the C1 premium, the MMB's total support for the B&W breed, and the low fat diet fad. In recent years I have witnessed a change in the marketplace with more emphasis now placed on 'local', 'unique' and 'quality'. So how as a society are we placed to cash in on these more positive opportunities?

The society of old was mainly set up for producing and promoting the future breeding stock. The first indication that our role may be changing was the setting up of QMP and latterly the Processors' Forum. This is a start but should our field of influence go further?

Should the society be active in sourcing, promoting and processing Guernsey milk, or is this best left to the individual?

Should we be an enabler, providing information to a potential customer on such matters as 'where is the Guernsey milk, where are the cows, where are the products' and nutritional knowledge on the unique qualities of our product?

Should some of the society's vast reserves be used to lend to new and old members who have specific requirements to start up, expand and/or promote their business?

Finally, should we be doing more to promote our breed through the media, celebrities, and of course in the show ring?

Lots of questions to which only you have the answers. Please contact me on my mobile 07785 915879.

Nick Gosling, President

FAREWELL FROM MARK JONES

The AGM on the 8th of September marked the end of my stint as President. Much of the last year has been lost to a lockdown of one form or another.

Council meetings have continued by Zoom and we were obliged to hold a Zoom AGM for 2020 to discharge our duties. Hopefully we are now past the worst and more business can be conducted face to face.

As soon as restrictions eased it was good to be back out on herd visits. This provided an opportunity for Louise to get out and meet members for the first time. Our first road trip took in the West Midlands members with Peter Richardson as our guide. During the day we visited Leighgrange, Woodlands and Kimcote herds. A couple of weeks later we were off again to see the team at Bickfield. What an impressive sight to see so many Guernsey cows in one herd. We followed onto Hinton where James Bartlett broke the sad news that he had decided to disperse the herd. I can appreciate this was a difficult decision to make but can fully understand his reasons.

With most Agricultural shows cancelled this year a visit to the Devon County Show was a must.. The Breed Society appreciates the effort of the Dawes family to bring a team of cattle down from the midlands. Abi Marshall was on hand

to uphold the local competition. Colin Gleed was our judge for the day.

As summer drew on the AGM was fast approaching, now some may say I had 2 years to get ready for this but it never quite works like that! The opportunity to visit the new herd at Hartpury College was well attended and provided a positive start to the proceedings.

Thank you to Andrew Easterbook and his team for making the visit possible. A hearty meal was enjoyed in Monmouth with local vet, Nick Hart stepping in as our after dinner speaker. So to AGM day, it was a pleasure to host a large turnout. I hope you all enjoyed your visit. It was especially pleasing to meet young entrepreneurs making their mark with Guernsey cattle.

My time as your President has largely been enjoyable. We have had our challenges but we have mastered these and moved forward. I need to thank all the herd owners who have made us welcome for herd visits and given up their time, my Council under the guidance of James Warren who managed to keep up regular meetings to keep the Society on track.



Mark and Susan receiving the Oxylynch Trophy this year.

We must congratulate Louise who joined us at the most difficult of times. Taking on our Secretary's role would have been tricky at any time but to do so mid Pandemic has made the role more difficult than ever. So thank you Louise for your tenacity.

I have particularly appreciated the friendship and guidance of John Berry and Peter Richardson, these are two of the great characters of the breed. Of course I must also thank my wife Susan and sons Adam and Josh for keeping the wheels turning at home during my term in office.

Finally my best wishes to Nick and Christine Gosling your current Joint. Presidents.

CAROLINE COX'S RETIREMENT PRESENT



A huge thank you to all those who contributed to Caroline Cox's retirement gift.

Castan Woodworks created this fantastic bespoke bench for Caroline and Philip's new garden, complete with an engraving of a Guernsey cow.

The Society wishes Caroline and Philip a most enjoyable retirement.



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2021

As 2021 draws to an end it really does not feel like the end of November as we have been blessed with a very kind Autumn and start to winter as far as the weather goes. I am writing this on 24th November and here at Tredinney we still have the majority of our youngstock out mainly eating the abundance of grass that we have and our milking herd are still able to go out and stretch their legs for a couple of hours in the morning with ground conditions so good.



That is however one of the only positives I am feeling currently with regards to farming with input costs still rising out of control. I estimate our costs have increased between 4 - 5 ppl (pence per litre of milk produced) in the last 6 months with fertiliser being one of the main contributors to this of about 1.5ppl, but also feed, fuel and energy prices have risen sharply since the spring of this year. That being said, milk prices have started to increase with Arla (one of the largest milk buyers) announcing just over 3ppl increase for December.

Cattle prices whether on the hoof or on the hook have also increased so if any of you have surplus stock there is demand for them with Louise in the office having regular enquiries, so please get in touch if you have some to sell.

There were very few shows during the summer, but one that did go ahead with Guernsey classes was The Devon County and I congratulate Abi Marshall on taking the Guernsey Championship with

Blacknor Cracker Weston Duchess and Michal Dawes for gaining the reserve with Edgehill Latimer Graceful. Our E.G.C.S. annual herd competition is one event which did go ahead and I would like to thank Nigel Kennard and Louise for calculating the results and congratulate all the prize winners as the standard keeps improving.

It was decided to move the Guernsey National Show to the UK Dairy Day in Telford as the South West Dairy Show was not going to have classes for in-milk animals this year. Tredinney Guernseys made the long trip and were rewarded with taking the Champion, with Tredinney Echo Alicia and reserve with Tredinney Harry's Lilian 10th. The South West Dairy Show as mentioned before did not have classes for adult cattle, but are hoping to be back to normal for 2022, they did have calf and heifer classes and Chiddingstone Indigo Zelda was champion calf for Digby Gribble and Hinton Damson 8 taking reserve for Polly Whetham. The champion heifer went to Emmaeve Excalibur Rosie exhibited by Polly Whetham with reserve heifer going to Hinton Lambeau Margaret exhibited by Digby Gribble. The final show for 2022 was the ABAB calf show at Peterborough. The champion repeating her win at Shepton Mallet was Emmaeve Excalibur Rosie and in reserve

was Emmaeve Toby Keith Rosie 2 ET both being exhibited by Polly Whetham. Congratulations to all those who have exhibited and supported the shows and hopefully there will be more shows next year and we can get more cattle forward.

At this time of year with families coming together we remember those friends and fellow breeders who have passed away during the last twelve months, Mrs. Gwen Davies wife of George Davies of the Skeel herd, Mr. Jim Jamoneau from Guernsey, and any of you who have been to the island could not have missed his jovial personality; Mrs. Pauline Mallett, wife of Tony of the Panjari herd and great supporter of the breed; Mr. Colin Parfitt of the Graylands herd, who I remember fondly from his encouragement from when we used to show together at the South West Dairy Show, and Mrs. Sheila Humphrys, who was with us at the September A.G.M. and seemed in very good spirits, but passed away shortly after.

Our thoughts and condolences are with their families and friends.

I am pleased to inform you that all of the 500 selected cows to be

genomically tested have been done and I must thank the members who have been involved with this for getting it done. When we went into another 'lockdown' at the end of 2020 it was decided that rather than have someone going around sampling the cows that the owners would have the tagger and tags posted to them and do it themselves which they have done very successfully. On the whole I am a little disappointed with the results, but we are assured that other breeds also had this with the initial results and as we get more and more tested so a better picture should emerge. I hope Chris Watson is looking down on us today and seeing some of the money he so generously left us is going to further improve the Guernsey cow whom he loved so much.

Your society's accounts which I am sure you have all seen shows a loss for the year from the previous year, which was predicted. There are many reasons for this which I am sure James Bartlett will be happy to explain, but there were 'one off' costs incurred in 2020. Our semen sales have been strong so far this year and we are selling much more semen overseas, and I must congratulate Louise for her effort in overseeing this as in many cases the logistics of this now we are out of the E.U. is proving quite demanding and frustrating. We are predicting a small profit at this stage for 2021.

In our July Council meeting it was recognized the need to increase our semen sales costs as the cost of collecting semen has increased, but this was deferred until our November meeting, and in November it was decided to increase conventional semen from £6.70 up to £9 and sexed semen from £22 up to £25.00 for members, but to hold off doing this until the New Year, so if you need semen I would suggest you order soon. These prices are still very competitive with most of our competitors selling sexed semen £28-£35.

Louise our administrator has been with us for 12 months and I



Twins at Tredinney

congratulate her for all her hard work and her attitude in taking on this role which is not an easy one. I apologise for sometimes not keeping her up to speed on certain things but as she gets into her second year I know she will be better prepared for what lies ahead and I look forward to working with her because I do very much enjoy it and I think my and Council's knowledge of how the society runs has greatly increased in the past 12 months as we've had a much more active role to play.

I would like to thank Caroline Cox, Nigel Kennard and Mark Jones for helping Louise into her new role over the last 12 months. My thanks to our Chairman of Finance, James Bartlett for all of his hard work and the E.G.C.S. Council who are a great asset to this society and I thank them for all of their hard work and congratulate them for coming together via 'zoom' for our meetings but it was nice to get together for our last two meetings. I hope this great working relationship we have will continue as we strive to try and improve the Guernsey cow.

A huge thank you to Mark our out-going President for all that he did during the two years of his Presidency, I would say there was more of the not so enjoyable tasks and a lot less of the enjoyable tasks with very few shows and society duties to attend in his Presidential years, but he was a great help and support to me, Louise and the society and I am very pleased that he is going to continue as a Council member. I very much look

forward to having Nick and Christine as our Presidents and I know they will do a great job after working with Nick on Council in the past. It is with sadness that Colin Glead felt that he could no longer be an elected member to Council and decided to step down, but we would like him to be a co-opted member so that when he is able he can still attend our meetings

and continue to be Chairman of the Judges Panel as he has been a very valued member on Council, Matt Blanch has also been co-opted as a member of Council. Besides Mark we have two other elected members to Council – Digby Gribble and Duncan Vincent, I welcome them both back onto Council and hope we can all work together as well as we have in the past.

My thanks to Shelley and Mum for their support and patience in enabling me to have the time to be Chairman. Thank you to our members and I look forward to seeing you at more events as we hopefully step into some more normality in 2022 and I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a safe and healthy New Year.

James Warren

We have welcomed the following new members to the EGCS this year:

Richard Morgan Jones
Kate and Luke Eely
Richard Griffin
Roy Evans
Simon Kettleborough
Emyr Evans
William Law & Son
Rob Mollatt
David Rutterford
Caroline Kellner

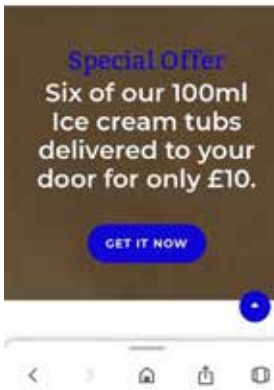




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PRODUCER / PROCESSOR MEETING

Our 2021 Producer / Processor meeting was held at Home Farm Heckfield Place on the 1st of July. We were extremely fortunate to be able to hold a face to face meeting at all this year, indeed the Pandemic simply resulted in shuffling the date to slightly later in the year than normal.



This year our group was joined by Sandy and Andy Rose of Two Hoots Cheese whilst Andy Payling attended on behalf of Quality Milk Producers Ltd.

Ian Constable-Dakeyne, Farm Manager at Heckfield welcomed us and gave an overview of the estate and the ethos that drives the farm enterprise.

Home Farm at Heckfield has the main priority to provide a supply of food and estate services to Heckfield Place which is ranked as one of Europe's finest country house hotels. Home Farm extends to over 400 acres which is managed Biodynamically/Organically. Market Gardens and Greenhouses covering 8 acres provide a year round supply of fruit, vegetables and cut flowers for the hotel. The remaining land is run as a traditional mixed farm including arable and grassland which supports beef sheep and of course the 40 cow Heckfield Guernsey Herd. Guernsey cows arrived at Heckfield a couple of years

ago with stock sourced from Trewey Briddlesford and Woodlands Herds. The herd is grazed on a rotational system in the summer and housed in a unique Roundhouse for the winter months. Jenna the herdsman at Heckfield gave us an insight into the herd's management and life in the Roundhouse.

by Village Maid Cheese who produce Maida Vale which is a semi-soft washed rind cheese and Heckfield a semi-hard cheese. Both of these cheeses carry a strong colour you would expect from Guernsey milk.

Lunch was provided by the hotel and served in the Roundhouse. We were joined by the farm's vet for the



Milk from the herd is processed on site just a few yards from the parlour. A full range of dairy products are produced on site with the entire production process on show to hotel guests. Some excess milk leaves the farm to be processed

afternoon who provided food for thought on rumen function and the impact on milk quality.

We are indebted to Ian and his team at Heckfield for making us so welcome in what have been very challenging times for everybody. As we look forward to 2022 the Producer / Processor Group will meet again. If any of you have a particular topic or destination you like to explore please get in touch with either myself or Louise.

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ROYAL SHOW - CATTLE RESULTS

The RGA held their Annual Show on Thursday 22 July 2021. As ever it was well supported by locals and visitors alike, the Horse in hand attracted a record number of entries.

20 Cattle were presented for judging, Mr T Bougourd judged the cows, and Mr G Carey judged the heifers. Please see results below. Mrs Waters and Mrs Dorey judged the young handlers' classes, everyone was very impressed with the enthusiasm that was shown. The Lieutenant-Governor, Vice Admiral Sir Ian Corder KBE was invited to present the impressive silverware to the winners at the end of the show.



Champion Cow, *Glenlea Valentine 2*

Cows Class One – Six years and over

Glenlea Valentine 2 20110248
Owned by Mr & Mrs B Wallace

Cows Class Two –

Four years and under Six years

Glenlea Vicky 20160373
Owned by Mr & Mrs B Wallace

Cows Class Three – Three years and under Four and a Half years

Glenlea Star 20160224
Owned by Mr & Mrs B Wallace

Cows Class Four –

Under Three years (Heifers-in-milk)

Petite Croute Herbsa 2 20190138
Owned by Mr J Dorey

Cows Class Five –

Three years and over, Calved over Five months and under Eight months in Calf

St Catherine Denise 20170133
Owned by Mr R Jamouneau

The Lord Blythwood Trophy – Limited to cows that have given at least 30% over requirements for the Production Register

Glenlea Valentine 2 20110248
Owned by Mr & Mrs B Wallace

Heifers Class Three –

Twenty months and under two years, not over Seven Months in Calf

St Catherine Lana 20190374
Owned by Mr R Jamouneau

Heifers Class Four – Sixteen Months and Under Twenty Months

Doreys Becci 20200042
Owned by Mr J Dorey

Heifers Class Five – Twelve Months and Under Sixteen Months

Doreys Bonnel 20200177
Owned by Mr J Dorey

Heifers Class Six – Under Twelve Months

Le Hechet Astra Zeneca 20210051
Owned by Mr J Ogier

Group of Cattle –

Four Females Comprising not less than Two Cows Hillside Herd

Owned by Mr & Mrs B Wallace

Pair of Cows by the Same Sire

St Catherine's Crystal Calvados
Owned by Mr R Jamouneau

RGA Trophy –

Best Udder in Show

Glenlea Valentine 2 20110248
Owned by Mr & Mrs B Wallace

Young Handler –

Under Sixteen years of age

Luca Gaudion

Young Handler –

Over Sixteen and under Twenty Five years of age

Kate Ogier

Champion Heifer – Sponsored by Duffields

Le Hechet Astra Zeneca 20210051
Owned by Mr J Ogier

Champion Cow –

Sponsored by ForFarmers
Glenlea Valentine 2 20110248
Owned by Mr & Mrs B Wallace

Champion Animal

Glenlea Valentine 2 20110248
Owned by Mr & Mrs B Wallace

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II Cup

Senior Judge **Mr S Hocart**
Judge **Mr R Breban**
Judge **Mr W Luff MBE**
Reserve Judge **Mr O Keenan**

Bulls (Progeny Judged on Farm)

St Catherine Peyton

Owned by Mr R Jamouneau

Cows

Glenlea Valentine 2 20110248
Owned by Mr & Mrs B Wallace

Sir John Martin Trophy –

Milk Production Minimum 51 Animals
Mr N I De Garis – Seaview Farm

Sir Geoffrey Robson Trophy – Milk Production Maximum 50 Animals

Mr R Jamouneau – St Catherine's Farm

Capt & Mrs Cosmo Douglas Bowl (for highest poundage of butterfat in 305 Days)

Mr F Le Cheminant – Smithfield Novak Sun producing 1,052Kgs Butterfat

Jurat Ernest De Garis Trophy – Small Herd – Under 100 cows
Mr R Jamouneau – St Catherine's Farm

Sir Philip Neaume Trophy – Large Herd Competition

100 Cows and Over

Mr N I De Garis – Seaview Farm

W J Mauger Trophy – Bull Progeny Herd Competition

Mr R Jamouneau – St Catherine's Calvados

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Owned by Mr D Cowley

BG Blampied Memorial Trophy – Highest Protein Production (Minimum of 20 Lactations)

Mr R J Waters – Petite Croute Herd



Myrtles Shiraz owned by Peter Richardson.

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RGA Trophy for the Cow producing the Highest Milk Production in 305 Days

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R H Payne Prize – Highest Excess weight of Butterfat in 305 days

Mr F Le Cheminant – Smithfield Novak Sun

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DAIRY FARMERS ON THE ISLE OF SARK

So the task ahead of us was set. We were to be the New Dairy Farmers on the Isle of Sark, with the vision of supplying some of the dairy products to the Island, providing a sustainable enterprise and educating the next generation. What could possibly go wrong?



I suppose one of the biggest challenges was the logistics. Getting dairy equipment here is difficult, throw in a Global Pandemic and it gets tricky. We had 9 attempted crossings, all of which were cancelled as the Balliwick went into Lockdown. There were very few cases here, no cases on Sark, maybe because the Borders were shut?

Once we were able to at least leave the UK, I then isolated for several weeks either in Guernsey or here on Sark. Building work on the dairy was going full steam ahead as the Trust were using the skills of the Island Builders. They also had issues with supplies coming in, and there was a quota imposed on the amount of concrete they could buy.

At the end of July 2021, we drove out of the driveway in Suffolk, and headed for our next adventure. My livestock trailer had been adapted for craning, and was in Poole ready to be shipped with the final items.



Isolation restrictions had now eased, and 2 days later Katharine and I landed on Sark. Over the previous months I had moved some household items from Suffolk and set up a home next to the Seigneurie.

The plan was to deep clean the entire dairy, then the heifers from Carol Allett would arrive, start processing. Like most things on this project, this

didn't quite go to plan. The building and internals were almost complete, but not quite. We could have gone with it, but would it ever have been finished?

We decided that instead of rushing the completion, we would wait a couple of weeks then start again. Katharine and I had a few days off, then she headed back to the UK. We had a slight complication that our Cheesemaker whom we had been training for four years was pregnant and we needed to find someone to take over...

By mid August, two trailers of heifers arrived on Sark, each with one youngstock, and three in milk. By the end of the week I had nine heifers in milk. I

then had to get approval from the EHO, States Vet, and water testing. All good, so we started processing through a batch pasteuriser, and selling the milk on farm from a vending machine. By the end of September, another load of heifers arrived, and now the milk is stocked in the two shops.

Grass grows most of the year here, whilst we get wind and rain, we may only get a couple of frosts a year. I feed the heifers on Lucerne and hay, with 3kg of rolled barley in the parlour. All of the feed stuffs are home grown.

Electricity is currently 62p per KW. Water is heated either on oil, or solar. We are looking at being completely self-sufficient and not reliant on the grid which is generated here on Sark.

Currently we sell whole milk at £2.00 per litre, and the customer purchases their own branded glass bottle for their own use. We also have a milk syrup station which increases milk sales.

The Building work started on a Green Field site in October 2020, and we had milk sold in the second week of August 2021.

Not bad for the Balliwick, and through a Global Pandemic...

Jason and Katharine Salisbury



WINTER FEEDING ORGANIC GUERNSEY COWS

Ration formulation of dairy cow diets is quite a complex business. The simple reason is that ruminants rely on an indirect alimentary system based on four 'stomachs'. The cow relies on a symbiotic relationship with the rumen microflora and fauna providing nutrients for production.

This complexity, and our partial understanding of how the ruminant functions, leads to us to be unable to completely and accurately predict the outcome of our efforts. We have to make a number of assumptions of varying degrees, a big initial one being how much of the ration will the cow actually eat.

To my knowledge, we don't have access to ration formulation models that are tailored particularly for the Guernsey cow. We have to use models that have been designed around the Holstein Friesian cow. Clearly, the Guernsey is capable of producing milk of higher solids whilst achieving a lower level of intake due to her smaller size. It is these two factors which influence the predicted nutrients that a Guernsey requires. Producing a richer milk does lead to the cow requiring a more nutrient dense ration than that required by a Holstein Friesian cow. What comes out of the cow has to influence what goes in and vice versa.

The cornerstone of any winter lactating cow ration is the forage component, in most cases this will be good quality grass silage. The aim has to be to produce a plentiful supply of high energy (11+ MJ ME/kg DM), high crude protein (15+ % in the DM) and well fermented (=pH 4) grass silage. In addition, there is usually an inverse relationship between stage of maturity (fibre) and energy density. Leaving a grass crop to 'bulk up' leads to more grass silage but a lower quality is the



price to pay. It is extremely difficult, to the point of being virtually impossible, to achieve a decent level of milk production when forage quality is below par. Simply feeding more concentrate is usually not an option due to rumen function being compromised. In my view, it is essential to have your forage analysed, preferably quite regularly, at an approved laboratory.

Organic standards dictate that 60% of the ration dry matter has to come from forage; grass silage, wholecrop and straw. Very few organic producers grow maize silage. Within a partial TMR system (i.e. the ration fed outside of the parlour), in my experience the Guernsey has the ability to consume 17-18 kg dry matter intake (dmi) compared to about 18-19 kg for a Holstein Friesian. Therefore, forage dmi will be 10-11 kg DM. The remaining 6-7 kg of dry matter (7-8 kg fresh) can be made up of concentrates and mineral.

In reality, organic milk production relies on a small number of potential concentrates. It is essential to ensure that the right concentrates are fed. Essentially, there are two principal elements that need addressing, namely energy and crude protein. Within organic systems the energy options mostly centre around starch. This is the right choice as long as not too much is fed, we all know of the associated problems posed by acidosis. Sometimes, a lower starch feed, such as oats, might be the best choice. Maize, wheat and barley might create a ration that is too starch-rich; this is quite often the case in complete TMR systems.

Crude protein supply is also usually a fairly straightforward challenge, albeit a very expensive one especially at the moment when organic soya is trading over £1,200 per tonne. It has nearly doubled in price in a year! I tend to aim for a crude protein content of 16 to 17% in

the dry matter. Some producers opt for rapemeal; in my opinion rapemeal always plays second fiddle to soya. It is a better fit within complete TMR systems when there is extra room within the ration. Other producers choose beans as their main source of crude protein. However, in my opinion, it's simply not protein-rich enough and it contains starch which may exacerbate the starch element of the ration. When space in the ration is tight I tend to choose soya every time. Feeding a high quality, protein-rich, concentrate feed is essential to ensure both the rumen and the cow are adequately fed. The rumen is incapable of supplying the cow with sufficient crude protein to meet her needs. This is where a by-pass protein source is needed. A proportion of the crude protein in soya evades degradation in the rumen and is digested lower down the alimentary tract just as we digest protein as simple amino acids and peptides.

Once your energy and crude protein demands have been met it is then a process of ensuring the ration contains sufficient effective fibre. Too little fibre and rumen health is compromised, which clearly affects the health of the cow along with potential milk quality and fertility issues. Too much fibre and the cow has to work harder than she needs to to process the ration. Try checking the chews per cud in your cows, aim for 65 to 75 chews per cud, it's an easy way to determine how fibrous your cows ration is. Less than 65 chews usually indicates insufficient fibre and over 75 too much fibre. Sometimes the high fibre content of your forage's makes it impossible to influence this element of the ration. It's easy to add some straw to ration to increase ration fibre



but it's very difficult to remove it if it's within your grass silage, for example. The aim is to achieve 34-36% neutral detergent fibre (NDF) in the dry matter in a partial TMR and 32-34% in a complete TMR.

As far as minerals go, it is good practice to have either your forage's or the TMR tested to ensure sufficient mineral is being offered. It is essential to ensure that the macro elements of calcium, phosphorus, magnesium and sodium are met. You might find it necessary to include both limestone flour and salt in the TMR.

Clearly there are many more factors to be considered when planning and constructing your winter rations, I hope you find some of the pointers covered in this article helpful.

Ewan Mackintosh Nutrition

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PREPARING FOR A LIFE WITHOUT SUBSIDIES

With the move towards environmental payments offering a host of different subsidy support scheme options, one Wiltshire farmer has taken a hard look at his production costs as he prepares for the transition.

With the first reductions in direct payments in England hitting December payments, now, more than ever, is the time to take action to mitigate losses and preserve your farm businesses' legacy.

For mixed dairy and arable farmer Peter Shallcross, of Wallmead Farm, Tisbury, a deep dive into his business, with the help of AHDB's Farm Business Review and knowledge exchange manager Sarah Hurford, quickly identified on-farm gains as they assessed ways to shave input costs.

Making use of the review's Business Resilience Assessment and Sarah's expertise, the pair realised minimising bought-in fertiliser use could lead to a substantial reduction in costs.

Peter said: "During the farm walk, Sarah made note of the clover growing on-farm and suggested we integrate more of these legumes into our cropping system to reduce the requirement for purchased nitrogen fertiliser and protein feeds.

"Given her vast experience and expertise, this advice was incredibly useful as it meant we were able to dig deeper into the figures around our production costs and plan for the future."

The advice came after Sarah noted the operation's proportion of total income spent on variable costs in that year had exceeded the business target of 35 per cent, with estimated costs coming in at 48 per cent.

Peter added: "It was good timing as we had already been looking at ways to use the grass more efficiently as artificial phosphorous [P] and



potassium [K] had been required to balance the grazing land nutrient requirement.

"As part of this, we invested in a manure spreader to spread composted manure and make up the P and K in the soil. Therefore, by reducing fertiliser use to nitrogen to feed the first cut, we would then be able to rely solely on the clover for the rest of the grazing season."

Peter then focused his attention on the service's Basic Payment Scheme (BPS) calculator, which requires users to enter data relating to the BPS payments they received in 2020.

While the farm is currently in a strong financial position with no long-term borrowing, Peter's BPS claim currently equates to about £48,000.

This meant exploring the raft of new agri-environment options available would be crucial in attempting to recoup some of the losses the business will see when BPS starts to reduce.

After consultation with Sarah, the pair quickly pinpointed two aspects of the future Sustainable Farming Incentive which would be applicable on-farm.

Peter said: "The grassland soil standard option at the advanced level offered up an additional income of about £13,000, topped up by a further £6,900 for arable."

He said the BPS calculator and additional advice had given him a 'huge confidence boost'.

He added: "Seeing the figures clearly in front of you marks out a path and shows you the way forward when we had not seen one before.

"There seems to be a lot of information on subsidy schemes, but little detail, and this service has helped to demystify the options." Kickstarting future planning to gear up for the transition to environmental payments has been a priority for Peter over the past 18 months.

He said: "Originally worth £85,000, we used to rely on BPS payments to cross-subsidise our 700 ewe sheep enterprise, with payments covering renting the 300 acres.

"But with cuts to BPS and the added pressures of Brexit, the sheep were a poor bet so we sold them all and stopped

renting the land and we therefore put plans in place to move away from being so reliant on BPS payments.

"The farm we rent where we keep youngstock has now been reduced in size and we have only retained the grassland part of the lease which has been changed from a Farm Business Tenancy to a grazing licence so we no longer claim the BPS."

And getting ahead of the game has pushed Peter to assess the next steps for his farming operation, expressing an interest in seeking further support from the service via the Agri-Business Appraisal, which is offered if a need is identified during the initial review with the consultant.

He added: "My experience with our consultant was excellent and I would like to seek further support in the coming months; getting the right adviser, who has an in-depth knowledge of your farming system, is incredibly important and this was the case with Sarah."

Peter's positive experience has also encouraged him to recommend the service to his peers, including farmers in the local area and the agronomist on-farm.

He said: "A lot of farmers are in the same position of uncertainty, with many unsure about how they will recoup the losses presented by the move away from direct payments.

"The service is fantastic and will help many farmers and growers break down and identify specific areas which they need to work on for their businesses to succeed and thrive during the next challenging few years."

written by AHDB



Farm Key Facts

- 300-hectare (741-acre) farm, majority owned, with some rented on a Farm Business Tenancy
- 80ha (198 acres) spring barley, 20ha (49 acres) maize, 15ha (37 acres) wheat; remainder grass and a large amount in Mid-Tier Countryside Stewardship, which started in 2021 and includes wild bird mix, nectar pollen mix and herbal leys
- Barley and wheat sold by neighbour; the neighbour also does most of the work towards growing and harvesting
- Variety of soils across the farm, including loams surrounding the river land; areas with stone brash on the hills, with some clay loams in between
- 210-cow dairy herd, which is increasing up to about 230; the business produces an 8,300- to 8,500-litre yield, of which this year has been 4,596 litres is from forage; grazing mid-March to October (weather-dependent)
- All artificial insemination is predominantly to Norwegian Red, but will revert to Holstein Friesian or Friesian if yield drops
- Sexed semen used across heifers and cows; calving index at 370 days; closed herd, where all heifers are reared on another site by Peter Shallcross' brother-in-law Jasper
- No off-farm enterprises, but the farm is currently involved with a group propagating importing Dutch elm disease resistant elm trees for planting around the country
- Investments include: a dry cow barn; dirty water lagoon is earth banked on blue clay with plans to triple in size and, if capital grants are forthcoming, buy a slurry separator
- Plans to minimise machinery investment include: once slurry tanker is registered as non-compliant from splash plate, contractors will work to empty the dirty water lagoon and in the small slurry store for parlour waste.

Sign up for a Farm Business Review

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PrecisionDNA ACCELERATES IMPROVEMENTS IN THE GUERNSEY BREED

Cogent recently partnered with the English Guernsey Cattle Society to genomically test 500 females through PrecisionDNA, its in-house genomic testing service. The main aim was to establish the genetic potential of the current UK Guernsey population while also looking at the prevalence of the A2A2 milk gene of which 99% carried at least one copy.

PrecisionDNA provides the ultimate in female genomic testing for dairy farmers, and the UK Guernsey Cattle Society has benefitted from its many advantages, by evaluating over 40 traits with high reliability.

William Barber, Genetic Testing Specialist, Cogent Breeding says: “Working with the Guernsey Society has allowed us to learn so much more about the genetics of the breed as a whole and identify its strengths and weaknesses in relation to other dairy breeds, “We can now use this to shift focus onto traits in which the breed is weaker when making breeding decisions”.

It also highlighted the high genetic variation within the breed for example, milk which had a variation of over 1,000kg between the animals with the highest and lowest genomic values. Although this could be perceived as a negative, it can also be indicative of the diversity of the gene pool - which in breeds with smaller populations can be significantly beneficial.

Despite this the averages for many of the key health, production and type traits were similar to the predictions already being used by AHDB in their proof calculations, meaning the base animal used as a comparison in linears and health traits was already a very accurate depiction of the average Guernsey cow in the UK.

This is testament to the milk recording and classification data which is gathered from pedigree Guernsey herds, but it can certainly be bolstered and made more reliable by feeding additional data into the database through genomic testing.

Mr Barber says: “The data provided through genomic testing is significantly more reliable than breeding from parent averages alone, genomic data is 40% reliable versus 17% for data derived from parent averages.

“Although improving a breed using accurate data takes years, the implications of bad breeding decision because of poor data spans generations,” he adds.



Currently within the Guernsey breed there are no known haplotypes affecting fertility, but this is not to say there are none. For example, within the Holstein breed six haplotypes, resulting in early embryonic death, have been identified since the bovine genome was sequenced in 2009, which previously would have been attributed to fertility problems when in fact a genetic defect was at work.

Genomic testing has also helped the Ayrshire breed to identify a high prevalence of two particular haplotypes within its population, with a third recently discovered. This means informed breeding decisions can be made to avoid the crossing of two carriers which may have resulted in either the birth of further carriers or the loss of the embryo.

“Haplotypes can have a financial impact and in today’s climate where efficiency is key, no dairy farmer can afford for animals to remain open for a sustained period.”

As the database of genomically tested Guernseys increases, the Society can benefit greatly from a bull procurement perspective by being able to identify genetic outliers for traits in which the breed falls short.

“If the breed has ambition to promote itself outside of the UK, genomics is the only way to do that,” says Mr Barber.

William Astley, Friesian and Coloured Breeds Specialist for Cogent says: “The testing that has been done has helped build a better picture of the genetic potential within the breed which will not just benefit farmers but the future of the breed when choosing females for contract mating.

“This data should ensure genetic gain in the next generation of UK Guernsey sires through more informed decisions on which cows to mate and which sire suits them best. These improvements will not only help improve the UK breed but futureproof it for generations to come.”

Will Astley and Will Barber, Cogent

The top 250 cows and bottom 250 cows on GMI were chosen for testing from a range of herds representing a range of dam lines and sires. This has led to 479 results. The dates of birth ranged from 2005 through to 2021. A total of 113 sires with the top Sire in terms of PLI being Trewey Shielas Bruce with an average PLI of 64. There were 64 A1A2, 408 A2A2, NA 7. The table shows the maximum, minimum and average figures for other results. There is also a selection of some of the top cows printed showing full results. Following this testing the council have approved sampling heifers out of cows with a PLI of over 50 on the results.

	Maximum	Minimum	Average
PTA Milk (kgs)	593	-464	64.5
PTA Fat (kgs)	20.3	-18.7	0.8
PTA Protein (kgs)	17.3	-13.1	2.1
PTA Fat (%)	0.17	-0.19	-0.01
PTA Protein (%)	0.11	-0.1	0.005
PTA SCC	21	-10	5.5
Fertility index	11.1	-7.1	2
Lifespan	88	-79	4.5
Maintenance	26.24	-40	-6.88
Enviro Cow	2.1	-1.9	0.1
PLI Reliability	59	30	44.5
PLI	283	-298	-7.5
SCI	104	-318	-107
ACI	83	-441	-179
Type			
Type merit	1.4	-1.9	-0.25
Mammary	1.6	-2.7	-0.55
Legs and Feet	1	-1.4	-0.2
Stature	1.5	-3.1	-0.8
Chest Width	2	-2.1	-0.05
Body Depth	2	-3.2	-0.6
Angularity	2	-4.2	-1.1
Rump Angle	1.7	-2.1	-0.2
Rump Width	1.6	-3.1	-0.75
Rear leg side	1.3	-1.3	0
Foot Angle	1.2	-1.3	-0.05
Fore udder attachment	2	-2.2	-0.1
Rear udder height	2.2	-4.5	-1.15
Udder Support	1.5	-2.8	-0.65
Udder Depth	1.4	-1.8	-0.2
Teat Length	1.8	-2	-0.1
Locomotion	1.4	-1.6	-0.1
Current Lactation	9	0	4.5

SELECTION OF GENOMIC RESULTS

BEECHGROVES NOVAK CHIQUITITA

GUGBRF000000454222

DOB08/11/2013

SexF

SireLang-Haven Grumpy Novak

DamBeechgroves Chiquitita 6 VGB6

Sire StackNovak x Ezekiel x Oberon

OwnerEGCS

EPLI53

	Production	Health and Management	Calving
Milk (kgs)	252 73%	SCC -5 57%	DCE N/A #VALUE!
Fat (kgs)	13.4 73%	Lifespan -55 47%	MCE N/A #VALUE!
Prot (kgs)	10.1 73%	FI -0.3 57%	
Fat (%)	0.04 73%		
Prot (%)	0.02 73%		

BICKFIELD IRIS 71

GUEGBRF000000456181

DOB12/01/2016

SexF

SireBOURTON LAREDOS FERNANDO

DamGUEGBRF000000454482

Sire StackNULL

OwnerEnglish Guernsey Cattle Society

EPLI89

	Production	Health and Management	Calving
Milk (kgs)	273 72%	SCC 4 53%	DCE 0 0%
Fat (kgs)	11.7 72%	Lifespan 9 44%	MCE 0 0%
Prot (kgs)	10.9 72%	FI -2.6 54%	
Fat (%)	0.01 72%		
Prot (%)	0.03 72%		

Type Summary

Type Merit	0.3	Poor		Excellent
Mammary	0.7	Poor		Excellent
Legs and Feet	0.2	Poor		Excellent
Stature	1.5	136cm		160cm
Chest Width	0.8	Narrow		Wide
Body depth	1.4	Shallow		Deep
Angularity	1.9	Coarse		Open Rib
Rump Angle	0.2	High Pins		Low Pins
Rump Width	1.4	Narrow		Wide
Rear leg side	-0.8	Straight		Sickled
Foot Angle	0.2	Low		Steep
F.Udder attachment	-0.6	Loose		Tight
Rear udder height	1.4	Very Low		Very High
Udder Support	1	Broken		Strong
Udder Depth	-0.4	Deep		Shallow
F.Teats Placement	0.7	Outside		Close
Teat length	1.4	Short		Long
Rear teat placement	N/A	Apart		Close
Teat position side	N/A	Close		Apart
Temperament	N/A	Poor		Good
Ease of milk	N/A	Slow		Fast
Locomotion	-0.1	Poor		Excellent
Condition score	N/A	Low		High

Type Summary

Type Merit	0.2	Poor		Excellent
Mammary	0.2	Poor		Excellent
Legs and Feet	0	Poor		Excellent
Stature	0	136cm		160cm
Chest Width	0.1	Narrow		Wide
Body depth	-0.2	Shallow		Deep
Angularity	-0.3	Coarse		Open Rib
Rump Angle	0	High Pins		Low Pins
Rump Width	0.2	Narrow		Wide
Rear leg side	0.1	Straight		Sickled
Foot Angle	0.1	Low		Steep
F.Udder attachment	0.5	Loose		Tight
Rear udder height	0.5	Very Low		Very High
Udder Support	0.7	Broken		Strong
Udder Depth	0.3	Deep		Shallow
F.Teats Placement	0.3	Outside		Close
Teat length	-1.1	Short		Long
Rear teat placement	NULL	Apart		Close
Teat position side	NULL	Close		Apart
Temperament	NULL	Poor		Good
Ease of milk	NULL	Slow		Fast
Locomotion	0.2	Poor		Excellent
Condition score	NULL	Low		High



BRYMOR ROSA 52		Sire ROSEWOOD GRANDEES ALSTAR	
GUEGBRF00000455263		Dam GUEGBRF00000452855	
DOB	02/01/2015	Sire Stack	0
Sex	F	Owner	English Guernsey Cattle Society

EPLI	70
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Production			Health and Management			Calving		
Milk (kgs)	274	70%	SCC	2	51%	DCE	0	0%
Fat (kgs)	1.7	70%	Lifespan	46	34%	MCE	0	0%
Prot (kgs)	7.5	70%	FI	3.3	48%			
Fat (%)	-0.11	70%						
Prot (%)	-0.02	70%						

Type Summary			
Type Merit	0.1	Poor	Excellent
Mammary	0	Poor	Excellent
Legs and Feet	0	Poor	Excellent
Stature	-0.4	136cm	160cm
Chest Width	-0.3	Narrow	Wide
Body depth	-0.7	Shallow	Deep
Angularity	-0.9	Coarse	Open Rib
Rump Angle	-0.1	High Pins	Low Pins
Rump Width	-0.6	Narrow	Wide
Rear leg side	-0.2	Straight	Sickled
Foot Angle	0.1	Low	Steep
F.Udder attachment	0.1	Loose	Tight
Rear udder height	-1	Very Low	Very High
Udder Support	-0.3	Broken	Strong
Udder Depth	-0.2	Deep	Shallow
F.Teats Placement	0.1	Outside	Close
Teat length	-0.1	Short	Long
Rear teat placement	NULL	Apart	Close
Teat position side	NULL	Close	Apart
Temperament	NULL	Poor	Good
Ease of milk	NULL	Slow	Fast
Locomotion	-0.2	Poor	Excellent
Condition score	NULL	Low	High

TREDINNEY DOUBLE L BUNTY 9 EX94(4)		Sire Pine Ridge Double L	
GUGBRF00000453141		Dam Tredinney Yagis Bunty 8 VG88	
DOB	17/01/2012	Sire Stack	ouble L x Yogibear x Ronalds Hunt
Sex	F	Owner	Guernsey Cattle Society

EPLI	157
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Production			Health and Management			Calving		
Milk (kgs)	122	72%	SCC	-6	58%	DCE	N/A	#VALUE!
Fat (kgs)	10.7	72%	Lifespan	85	49%	MCE	N/A	#VALUE!
Prot (kgs)	7.2	72%	FI	-1.4	61%			
Fat (%)	0.07	72%						
Prot (%)	0.04	72%						

Type Summary			
Type Merit	1.1	Poor	Excellent
Mammary	1.3	Poor	Excellent
Legs and Feet	0.4	Poor	Excellent
Stature	-0.2	136cm	160cm
Chest Width	-0.8	Narrow	Wide
Body depth	-0.2	Shallow	Deep
Angularity	0.2	Coarse	Open Rib
Rump Angle	-1.7	High Pins	Low Pins
Rump Width	0	Narrow	Wide
Rear leg side	0.1	Straight	Sickled
Foot Angle	-0.6	Low	Steep
F.Udder attachment	1.7	Loose	Tight
Rear udder height	0.9	Very Low	Very High
Udder Support	0.5	Broken	Strong
Udder Depth	0.9	Deep	Shallow
F.Teats Placement	1.3	Outside	Close
Teat length	-1.1	Short	Long
Rear teat placement	N/A	Apart	Close
Teat position side	N/A	Close	Apart
Temperament	N/A	Poor	Good
Ease of milk	N/A	Slow	Fast
Locomotion	0.3	Poor	Excellent
Condition score	N/A	Low	High



Kimcote Pride 3		Sire Sinders Option Aaron	
GUEGBRF00000453415		Dam Coopers Court Pride 3	
DOB	26/04/2013	Sire Stack	Aaron x Hercules x Karen Oak
Sex	F	Owner	EGCS

EPLI	56
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	Production		Health and Management				Calving	
Milk (kgs)	187	75%	SCC	-1	58%	DCE	N/A	#VALUE!
Fat (kgs)	12	75%	Lifespan	-6	48%	MCE	N/A	#VALUE!
Prot (kgs)	10.4	75%	FI	-6.3	62%			
Fat (%)	0.06	75%						
Prot (%)	0.05	75%						

Type Summary			
Type Merit	0.6	Poor	Excellent
Mammary	0.7	Poor	Excellent
Legs and Feet	0.5	Poor	Excellent
Stature	0.8	136cm	160cm
Chest Width	0.5	Narrow	Wide
Body depth	0.4	Shallow	Deep
Angularity	1.3	Coarse	Open Rib
Rump Angle	0.4	High Pins	Low Pins
Rump Width	0.8	Narrow	Wide
Rear leg side	0.5	Straight	Sickled
Foot Angle	0.5	Low	Steep
F.Udder attachment	0.1	Loose	Tight
Rear udder height	1	Very Low	Very High
Udder Support	1	Broken	Strong
Udder Depth	-0.1	Deep	Shallow
F.Teats Placement	1	Outside	Close
Teat length	-0.5	Short	Long
Rear teat placement	0	Apart	Close
Teat position side	0	Close	Apart
Temperament	0	Poor	Good
Ease of milk	0	Slow	Fast
Locomotion	0.7	Poor	Excellent
Condition score	0	Low	High

TREDINNEY RIDER BUNTY 13		Sire TREDINNEY IVANS FLO RIDER	
GUEGBRF00000458921		Dam GUEGBRF00000453161	
DOB	21/05/2017	Sire Stack	0
Sex	F	Owner	English Guernsey Cattle Society

EPLI	0
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	Production		Health and Management			Calving		
Milk (kgs)	54	69%	SCC	2	48%	DCE	0	0%
Fat (kgs)	5.7	69%	Lifespan	34	35%	MCE	0	0%
Prot (kgs)	0.3	69%	FI	-2.5	51%			
Fat (%)	0.05	69%						
Prot (%)	-0.02	69%						

Type Summary			
Type Merit	1.4	Poor	Excellent
Mammary	1.4	Poor	Excellent
Legs and Feet	0.8	Poor	Excellent
Stature	0	136cm	160cm
Chest Width	0.6	Narrow	Wide
Body depth	0	Shallow	Deep
Angularity	0.2	Coarse	Open Rib
Rump Angle	-0.5	High Pins	Low Pins
Rump Width	0.3	Narrow	Wide
Rear leg side	-0.1	Straight	Sickled
Foot Angle	0.5	Low	Steep
F.Udder attachment	1.5	Loose	Tight
Rear udder height	1.5	Very Low	Very High
Udder Support	0.8	Broken	Strong
Udder Depth	0.8	Deep	Shallow
F.Teats Placement	1.5	Outside	Close
Teat length	-0.7	Short	Long
Rear teat placement	NULL	Apart	Close
Teat position side	NULL	Close	Apart
Temperament	NULL	Poor	Good
Ease of milk	NULL	Slow	Fast
Locomotion	-0.8	Poor	Excellent
Condition score	NULL	Low	High



TREWY BRUCE JERRY 2		Sire TREWEY SHIELAS BRUCE	
GUEGBRF00000452837		Dam GUEGBRF00000450827	
DOB	31/10/2012	Sire Stack	0
Sex	F	Owner	English Guernsey Cattle Society

EPLI	272
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Production			Health and Management			Calving		
Milk (kgs)	116	72%	SCC	-2	55%	DCE	0	0%
Fat (kgs)	13.8	72%	Lifespan	15	42%	MCE	0	0%
Prot (kgs)	9.6	72%	FI	2.3	53%			
Fat (%)	0.12	72%						
Prot (%)	0.07	72%						

Type Summary			
Type Merit	0.7	Poor	Excellent
Mammary	0.2	Poor	Excellent
Legs and Feet	0.7	Poor	Excellent
Stature	-0.9	136cm	160cm
Chest Width	-1	Narrow	Wide
Body depth	-1.4	Shallow	Deep
Angularity	-0.9	Coarse	Open Rib
Rump Angle	0.9	High Pins	Low Pins
Rump Width	-1	Narrow	Wide
Rear leg side	0.6	Straight	Sickled
Foot Angle	-0.5	Low	Steep
F.Udder attachment	-0.4	Loose	Tight
Rear udder height	-1.1	Very Low	Very High
Udder Support	0.7	Broken	Strong
Udder Depth	-0.1	Deep	Shallow
F.Teats Placement	0.8	Outside	Close
Teat length	-1.3	Short	Long
Rear teat placement	NULL	Apart	Close
Teat position side	NULL	Close	Apart
Temperament	NULL	Poor	Good
Ease of milk	NULL	Slow	Fast
Locomotion	0.9	Poor	Excellent
Condition score	NULL	Low	High

TREWY BRUCE YORKIE 13		Sire TREWEY SHIELAS BRUCE	
GUEGBRF00000453757		Dam GUEGBRF00000450778	
DOB	11/08/2013	Sire Stack	0
Sex	F	Owner	English Guernsey Cattle Society

EPLI	129
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	Production		Health and Management				Calving	
Milk (kgs)	293	74%	SCC	0	56%	DCE	0	0%
Fat (kgs)	6.4	74%	Lifespan	15	46%	MCE	0	0%
Prot (kgs)	9.4	74%	FI	1.6	55%			
Fat (%)	-0.06	74%						
Prot (%)	0	74%						

Type Summary			
Type Merit	0.9	Poor	Excellent
Mammary	0.5	Poor	Excellent
Legs and Feet	0.8	Poor	Excellent
Stature	-0.6	136cm	160cm
Chest Width	-0.6	Narrow	Wide
Body depth	-1.1	Shallow	Deep
Angularity	-0.4	Coarse	Open Rib
Rump Angle	1.2	High Pins	Low Pins
Rump Width	-0.5	Narrow	Wide
Rear leg side	0.3	Straight	Sickled
Foot Angle	-0.2	Low	Steep
F.Udder attachment	-0.3	Loose	Tight
Rear udder height	-0.8	Very Low	Very High
Udder Support	1.1	Broken	Strong
Udder Depth	0	Deep	Shallow
F.Teats Placement	1	Outside	Close
Teat length	-0.9	Short	Long
Rear teat placement	NULL	Apart	Close
Teat position side	NULL	Close	Apart
Temperament	NULL	Poor	Good
Ease of milk	NULL	Slow	Fast
Locomotion	0.9	Poor	Excellent
Condition score	NULL	Low	High



TREWY BRUCE JUNO 114		Sire TREWEY SHIELAS BRUCE	
GUEGBRF00000452652		Dam GUEGBRF00000450281	
DOB	10/09/2012	Sire Stack	0
Sex	F	Owner	English Guernsey Cattle Society

EPLI	180
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	Production		Health and Management			Calving		
Milk (kgs)	254	72%	SCC	-4	55%	DCE	0	0%
Fat (kgs)	8.6	72%	Lifespan	34	45%	MCE	0	0%
Prot (kgs)	9.4	72%	FI	2.2	54%			
Fat (%)	-0.02	72%						
Prot (%)	0.01	72%						

Type Summary			
Type Merit	0.6	Poor	Excellent
Mammary	0.3	Poor	Excellent
Legs and Feet	0.6	Poor	Excellent
Stature	-1.1	136cm	160cm
Chest Width	-0.6	Narrow	Wide
Body depth	-1.3	Shallow	Deep
Angularity	-0.9	Coarse	Open Rib
Rump Angle	0.5	High Pins	Low Pins
Rump Width	-0.3	Narrow	Wide
Rear leg side	0.9	Straight	Sickled
Foot Angle	-0.8	Low	Steep
F.Udder attachment	0	Loose	Tight
Rear udder height	-0.9	Very Low	Very High
Udder Support	0.5	Broken	Strong
Udder Depth	0.1	Deep	Shallow
F.Teats Placement	0.6	Outside	Close
Teat length	-1.2	Short	Long
Rear teat placement	NULL	Apart	Close
Teat position side	NULL	Close	Apart
Temperament	NULL	Poor	Good
Ease of milk	NULL	Slow	Fast
Locomotion	0.4	Poor	Excellent
Condition score	NULL	Low	High

WOODLANDS LEVI MAY 18		Sire MARODORE AARONS LEVI ET A2A2	
GUEGBRF00000456069		Dam GUEGBRF00000454203	
DOB	14/11/2015	Sire Stack	NULL
Sex	F	Owner	English Guernsey Cattle Society

EPLI	11
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	Production		Health and Management			Calving		
Milk (kgs)	317	71%	SCC	9	54%	DCE	0	0%
Fat (kgs)	6.3	71%	Lifespan	-18	46%	MCE	0	0%
Prot (kgs)	6.4	71%	FI	0.6	56%			
Fat (%)	-0.08	71%						
Prot (%)	-0.05	71%						

Type Summary			
Type Merit	0.3	Poor	Excellent
Mammary	0.3	Poor	Excellent
Legs and Feet	0.2	Poor	Excellent
Stature	-0.3	136cm	160cm
Chest Width	0	Narrow	Wide
Body depth	-0.3	Shallow	Deep
Angularity	0	Coarse	Open Rib
Rump Angle	-0.6	High Pins	Low Pins
Rump Width	-0.1	Narrow	Wide
Rear leg side	-0.3	Straight	Sickled
Foot Angle	0.2	Low	Steep
F.Udder attachment	0.4	Loose	Tight
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Teat length	-0.6	Short	Long
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Teat position side	NULL	Close	Apart
Temperament	NULL	Poor	Good

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THE ADDINGTON YEAR

I am delighted that the Addington Fund is now operating full bore again. It began in July with the Devon County and The Great Yorkshire Shows and has not stopped since. August featured my usual annual trip to the Lammas service at Hoxne in Suffolk where the generosity of the community was once again amazing as we raised over £3500 for The Fund.



Left to right: Mrs Penny Cox, Bill Young CEO Addington Fund, Tim Cox Lord Lt Warwickshire, HRH The Countess of Wessex Patron of the Addington Fund, Peter Jinman Chairman of the Addington Fund and Martin Redfearn Vice Chairman.

September saw The Westmorland Show and at long last the Cornwall Farm Business Awards originally scheduled for 29th March 2019 and the long-awaited Addington Fund 20th anniversary lunch which included a number of guests from East Anglia.

We were also able to unveil some exciting news at The Westmorland Show. Earlier in the year our long-standing Patron Lord Robert Iliffe had let us know that it was time for him to step down after fourteen years in the role and we began the search for a new one. I am delighted to say that we were able to confirm at The Show that HRH The Countess of Wessex had accepted our request to become the new Royal Patron of the Addington Fund. Indeed, HRH visited us in person on our stand at in Cumbria.

During our initial discussions with The Countess, Her Royal Highness expressed a wish to be actively involved in the progression of Addington and we are absolutely delighted that she will be part of our development to the next stage. Her Royal Highness has a real

understanding of agriculture and rural communities and the challenges they face and it is a privilege to have her active support to the charity and we look forward to working with HRH in the years to come.

On Sunday 17th October our annual Harvest Service took place at The Queen's

Chapel of the Savoy in London where Lord Curry of Kirkharle gave an excellent address. This year it is a service with a difference in that we have invited all our partner charities operating in England under the Farming Help banner (FCN, Forage Aid and RABI) to join us as well to celebrate not only Harvest but working together to help rural communities. As most of you who read this regular column will know I am a strong advocate of cooperation between charities to reduce competition and to save on costs and unnecessary duplication.

I am delighted to let you know that our fantastic Suffolk contingent led by The Revd Canon Sally Fogden, Peter Havers and David Barker have helped set up the final Addington Event in the 2021 calendar and part of our 20th anniversary celebrations. On Friday 17th December 3pm at St Edmundsbury cathedral where we will be holding an Addington Fund carol service and readings. All are welcome to attend this prestigious venue by replying to the events email address.

We still have a few places available. If you would like to attend this very special service, please email events@addingtonfund.org.uk as you will be very welcome to visit this fantastically ornate chapel and join us for drinks afterwards.

Last year financially the Addington Fund bucked the trend and had a good year financially. We are though, very conscious of the housing pressures faced by youngsters in the rural community where not only has it become impossible to buy a house, it is now almost impossible to rent in affluent areas. Youngsters are being priced out of both markets by commuters and second homeowners.

As a charity we are continually looking for like-minded partners, who share our goals and aspirations to help us find or build rural properties to let out at affordable rents to qualifying youngsters to enable them to remain in their preferred rural location. These could be start up business units or just an affordable house close to their place of rural work.

If you are interested, want more information, or would like to help please do not hesitate to contact me through our website www.addingtonfund.org.uk.

Bill Young



OBITUARY

Sheila Jessie Humphrey

(30th Nov 1923 - 22nd Sept 2021)

Sheila Jessie Humphrey was born on 30th November 1923 amid an early winter's snow storm - my grandfather, Frank Stevens cycled to Rotherfield along Horleigh Green Road to get the doctor, and a few hours later a healthy baby girl was born, as a sister to Gwen who was two years older.

Their mother, Mary Barbour grew up in Lockerbie, and met Frank shortly after the Great War when she was a nurse in Sheffield - Frank had been an engineer in the Royal Field Artillery and served at the Battle of Passchendaele, where he was mentioned in dispatches amid a gas attack, and also at the Battle of the Somme in France - needless to say he had no desire for a front line works career, but rather a more solitary life as a farmer.

The farm was to be on the edge of Five Ashes at Lower Cowden, a Tudor black beamed house that needed renovating before Mr and Mrs Stevens moved in - Frank's father had been a builder in Eastbourne, and the house was to be a joint effort in that Frank was one of nine children, minus my great uncle Percy who was killed on the Somme in 1918.

As the 1920s progressed it became evident that the two girls were very much like chalk and cheese, bar appearing on the cover of a farming magazine in their milking whites, hats and holding buckets in Cowden's farmyard in 1934.

Gwen showed no interest in farming, rather her interest was for going out and dressing up, and lying in bed until mid day - she eventually became a school teacher, and a much loved aunt during my childhood, she died in 1992.

Sheila though took to farming life like a duck to water - even at the age of twelve she could drive a tractor and turn hay, and get up at the crack of dawn, or even before daybreak in the winter to milk the cows by hand, so that the milk could be picked up by 8am, and delivered to the creamery or more locally.

Sheila, you see, started where she planned to continue, and as so often the way was a product of her environment; her dynamo was wound up, and continued in the same light for over ninety seven years young - old age was a mere hindrance to her, as two more farms were rented out, and at fourteen she was set loose in running them almost by herself - bar a one armed man, and a deaf and dumb German former prisoner of war at one stage; and not forgetting her horse Boxer, who delighted in going to the market in Heathfield each week with the chicken eggs, as he invariably was given a pint of ale outside the Cross In Hand public house by one of the helpers - fortunately he knew his way home!



Cowden's was very much in the line of fire during the Second World War as my grandfather joined the Home Guard in 1940, and Sheila became an officers driver during the blackouts when all she had for lights was little 'pin pricks' angled into the road to avoid detection - and of course there was the air raids and dog fights above Mayfield that once saw her and a neighbour sheltering



in a barn with the walls swaying in the heat of battle, and the machine gun clips falling like confetti on the lawn.

Sheila always said that she thought her time had come on that August summers day that saw Five Ashes bombed on the far side at about 5.20pm, and that two young brothers, and thirteen cows, lost their lives as they were putting the herd out after milking; even now it makes me feel emotional at such thoughts and courage as fire raged across the horizon.

Cowden's had two of the biggest search light sirens in the South East in the fields - and of course the soldiers arrived to turn the farm into a field-camp, in waiting for the big off on D-Day 6th June 1944; but it was the ill-fated Dieppe raid in 1942 that Sheila always mentioned, in that her mother sowed some Canadian soldiers buttons on their uniforms shortly before the top secret reconnaissance raid was carried out, that cost so many of their lives. "Most of them did not come back," Sheila often remarked with regret.

Sport has always been a big factor on both sides of my family; football and cricket in particular, when in September 1940 the Home Guard were playing the local farmers at the Wellbrook Cricket Ground with Sheila put in charge of the scoreboard at the age of sixteen, when a Messerschmitt crash landed nearby at Knowle Farm as she looked on - the pilot simply had

had enough and immediately gave himself up to a local farmer on a day when the Luftwaffe lost 180 planes overhead. "I can't lie," she remarked, "It was jolly exciting!"

1947 was a key year in Sheila's development when she made the decision to sell the cows, which were a patchwork quilt of all breeds, and start afresh with Guernsey's, a small dairy cow, placid in nature; and of course farming was changing.

In 1936 only five percent of herds were milked by machine, but in 1949 it was fifty percent and rising - most buyers were now reluctant to buy mixed herds milk, and so with Guernsey milk being much creamier and of a better quality, Sheila bought four Guernsey's at Haywards Heath market, and never looked back.



It's fair to say that her methods may have remained old school for the next forty three years, but once she got married and my parents bought Woolbridge House Farm in 1959, the year after my grandfather sold Lower Cowden, her reputation for breeding top quality cows up to when they had their first calf was almost unmatched, but now on a much smaller scale.

Once buyers saw the Woolbridge pedigree line, the price would go up by a half, such was the quality of the breeding and heritage, and some buyers didn't even bother looking at a Woolbridge bred Guernsey, rather they bought it over the phone, and the cattle lorry would turn up a few days later to take our beautiful light brown and white cow off to pastures new, and a life of milking and calf rearing.

It was a pretty special time to grow up in the 1960s and 1970s, and possibly the height of dairy farming in and around Mayfield when

the community remained very much rural based, and invariably families were related to each other by marriage - it's all changed now, what with economic change making small farms more and more difficult to sustain, and the introduction of landed milk quotas being sold-on to larger producers, rather like in the fishing industry when the quota allocation can be worth more than the boat!

Mum and Dad were married in 1955; Spencer Humphrey grew up in Fir Toll as one of seven children, and knew Sheila from delivering grain to Lower Cowden for her 1,000 chickens at various times, such was the work of being a farmers daughter.

Like so many young men he had served his country abroad in Africa, Europe and finally finished up at the guards house at Lords Cricket Ground in London - his brother Peter was also killed at the Battle of Goch in Germany in 1945, after twice being wounded at the Battle of Caen and in the Netherlands in 1944 - like my grandfather he too was very happy stepping back, being a haulage contractor, and letting his wife get on with the farming side of life.

They were a great team, and although rarely going out socially together, they turned the once derelict farm into an efficient dairy producing environment that flourished over a thirty year time span until 1990, when the last of the cows went to market, and a breakeven price was becoming more difficult to sustain.

Farming was changing, and from breeding prize winning championship cows at Ardingly's autumn show and sale, Sheila slowly turned her sights on to a more community based lifestyle with St. Dunstan's flower guild, and the South East Guernsey Breeders Association she joined in 1960, and like with the flower guild served as its chairman up until her death.

SEGBA now only consists of a few enthusiasts, but at one stage competition to represent the South East in the judging competition at

the Royal Show was quite intense, and so often mum qualified as one of the three team members that went forth, and in 1990 won the national team prize ahead of the other regional Guernsey breeders - Sheila certainly knew her subject,



Ida Walters Guernsey cow that was taken at the South of England Show in about 1995

and continued to show Guernsey's for her great friend Mrs Ida Walters until 2002 at the South of England Show.

I will always be grateful for her support, by earning my stripes in the scouts and the educational environment of North London, I was lucky, even when I travelled far and wide mum and dad were very supportive; and knew deep down that I'd always return to Mayfield and take the farm onwards into the future; as I have done for the past eleven years since dad died, slowly but surely; mum though would remain impatient that yet another repair or improvement had not been completed, but then I would invariably say, this is a big place and you will just have to be patient!

Patience, and such in one breath never seemed to go hand in hand, for her dynamo was constantly on full ahead steam, organising events and driving things forward as she invariably did; either by helping to dig out the swimming pool at Mayfield Primary school in 1968, the year she joined the scouts supporters committee, or as in 1992 to 1994 Sheila had a central role in helping to raise £95,000 for a new scouts hall, and then in 2009 she

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again did her bit by leafleting half of Five Ashes to help raise money for our community scouts minibus.

Mum was a mere 85 by then, but still seemed to be moving like a twenty year old determined to make her mark - her energy was boundless, and even this summer she was still getting up at 5.30am and feeding her chickens, twelve of which we bought in August - always positive, always pushing onwards like a certain Sheila Stevens of the 1930s.

Mums final four weeks were delightfully book-ended when on 28th August she 'stole' the show at my god-daughter Kirsty, and Dom's wedding in her flowery dress, here in St. Dunstan's, she attended the English Guernsey Cattle Societies

AGM in the West Country, and stayed in a hotel for three nights, and linked up with farming friends from far and wide; then with Deacon Di she re-visited Lower Cowden for the final time, and spent two hours remembering her youth, her parents and Gwen, now all sadly departed, but people to be proud of, my heart and soul, my inspiration - her final week was spent with her wonderful friends from the flower guild, drinking cups of coffee and planning the harvest flowers and whose friendships she cherished.

Mum loved the community of Mayfield, and its people that she so treasured - and I think the community loved her; she appeared on Songs of Praise, which was filmed in 1980, Ashdown District scouts presented her with a Thanks



Badge in 2012, and it was also her honour to switch on the Christmas lights in the high street three years ago - sadly the angels took her away from us in September, now a bright shining light glistens in the air above us at night - thank you Mayfield, mum I'm going to miss you, everybody sends their love.

Barry Humphrey

Sheila has been a much respected member of SEGBA at least from 1969. When she had Guernsey's of her own her heifers would command great interest from far and wide, in fact they were sometimes sold unseen as was her reputation.

Sheila was well known for her organisation of the dinner dances and was the main fundraiser for the club for many, many years. At club meetngs she would be found in the kitchen preparing the refreshments, servng and then clearing away. Sheila would speak fondly of the Word Conferences and kept up with the people she met, at least with a Christmas card each year.

Sheila looked forward to the AGM and filed days each year, being able to catch up with old friends in person and seeing much loved Guernsey cows. This year she did "um and ah" about going as she felt she might hold everyone up as she had slowed down. She was very grateful to all those that showed her great kindness and made her feel very welcome; I know that she would have wanted me to thank you all on her behalf, little did we know that it was to be her last.

Sheila Knight, South Eastern Breeders Association



OBITUARY

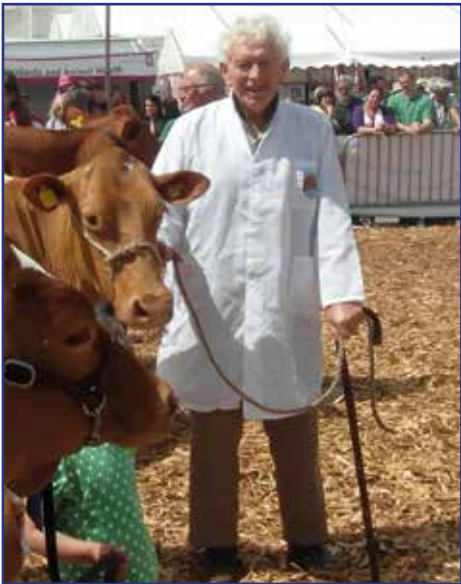
Colin Parfitt (1936-2020)

Colin's love of the Guernsey breed stemmed from an early age with the establishment of a Guernsey herd in Dundry, Bristol by his grandfather and father. Colin continued to build up his beloved 'Graylands' herd and during the 1970's introduced female families

from the 'Robinsfield', 'Kelsmor' and 'Rangebourne' herds to name a few.

Colin began stewarding Guernsey classes at local shows and in 1979 decided to enter a class himself at the 'North Somerset Show' for the first time (following some gentle persuasion from daughter Jackie) and was hooked from then on.

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The Graylands herd was home to many prize winners over the years with G. Meadowsweet 14th claiming champion at the 1992 'Royal Bath and West Show' being a particularly proud achievement of his. Success in the show ring continued into more recent years and he always enjoyed seeing his homebred animals, often sired by homebred bulls, win prizes in the ring. Days at the shows were always a highlight in his calendar, regularly referred to as his "holiday" and he could still be seen on the end of a halter into his late seventies (albeit with his trusty walking stick and the most placid cow in tow- a testament to the temperament of the whole herd).



His passion for cattle and enjoyment in the show ring has been passed down through the generations and he was delighted to have his grand daughters follow in his footsteps, helping him at shows as soon as they were able, he even named cows after them which could often prove confusing for the commentator when both the cow and handler shared the same name!

He was very proud to have been presented to the Countess of Wessex in 2011 at the 30th anniversary of 'The Dairy Show' in recognition of his attendance in the show ring every year since the very first show. In 2014, he was also invited, alongside wife Caroline, to meet the Duchess of Cornwall at the Royal Bath and West Show as a result of his long standing involvement with the event.

Colin was an active member of the EGCS for many years, he

would always take the whole family to the Annual Guernsey Dinner and thoroughly enjoyed hosting events such as stock judging competitions and farm walks at Graylands.

Many happy, laughter filled hours were well spent sat on his faithful show box sharing jokes, stories and reminiscing on great memories with friends of the breed which always gave him a huge amount of pleasure and are fond memories that we will continue to treasure as a family.

He is a greatly missed father and grand father to Jackie, Richard, Joanna, Elissa and Justina.



OBITUARY

Gwenllian Margaret Davies

Passed away 7th January 2021 aged 87

Gwen was born in a small rural community in West Wales, the youngest of 9) children to a dairy farming family.

She met George at the Fishguard Fair and they married in 1962 and farmed at New House, Hayscastle with George's father, and the "Skeel" herd of pedigree Guernseys was started. She was involved with the day to day running of the farm, milking, calf rearing and keeping house. There was always a steady supply of food for all occasions especially at harvest!

Leaving their 2 sons Dyfrig and Emyr to manage the farm she

supported George when he was invited to Kenya in 1988 to Judge the Guensey cattle, it was a trip of a lifetime! It was the first time they had been abroad! Gwen took a great interest in the Society, especially in George's year as President; and enjoyed going to the AGM s where she made many friends.

She was involved with showing their own Guernseys and enjoyed watching her Sons compete at shows around the country. She was a member of the WI and Noddfa Newton Chapel and loved the social side of supporting local groups in the community.



She was proud of her Sons, who continue farming the Skeel herd, now with the support of her grandson Robbie, too, and when she couldn't go outside any more she would watch the work going on from the ktichen window. Family. was very important to her.

George Davies



OBITUARY

Jim Jamouneau (1935-2021)

Jim was born in November 1935 and was educated at Amherst School followed by the intermediate school. He left aged 14 and started working on his parents' farm.

Jim was on the island during the occupation and a German officer carved a wooden idol of his horse called Sam.

Sam was a well-loved horse on the farm and he was one of many horses that entered Jim's life.

He was also a very good shot and became the island champion in 1954 aged 19. Jim was a part of the Young Farmers' Association and won numerous trophies for cattle judging. He had a good eye for cattle confirmation and had many show winners himself over the years.

From 1972-1982, Jim was in charge of the horse section at the Royal Guernsey Agricultural and Horticultural, held annually at Samaurez Park followed by being appointed as show manager in 1993. He was very passionate about the running of this show and always ensured things ran smoothly. Jim is very proud that his son Robin has followed in his farming footsteps with running his own dairy farm and now President of the Royal Guernsey Agricultural and Horticultural Show.

In the 80s, Jim was invited to judge Guernsey cows in Nairobi at their annual show. In 1984 he proudly won the Guernsey Island

Autumn Show with a very good young cow.

His main passions were horses and cattle but he also had a love for pigs. He bred and raised them for years as well as entering and judging shows.

In the early 90s he gave up farming as a full time job and concentrated more on breeding and training his own racehorses. Jim was one of many on island trainers when he started and this resulted in wins and placings both in Guernsey and Jersey. In 2004 the Guernsey Race Club was reformed and Jim's passion was reignited as he became the President for many years and kept it going almost single handed as he had so many contacts until 3 years ago.

Jim began carriage driving and showing over 40 years ago. He owned various horses and ponies which he competed on locally and was very successful with. All his children grew up with horses on the farm and he was so proud that his daughter April has followed his footsteps into driving and just like her father is now the Guernsey Horse Driving President. Due to his knowledge on carriage driving for the last 10 years he has been invited to inspect the Sark carriages to ensure they are roadworthy for the tourist season.

For over 20 years he has been renowned for the game called



Brown Anchor which he took round the island at all the shows. It is very unique as it is the only place this game is played.

In 2018 he also became Vice Chairman of the Vintage Agricultural Show.

Jim was a cherished father to 4, beloved grandpa to 6 and great grandpa to 5.

His claim to fame is the road named after him which he was very grateful for and declared open by cutting the ribbon once all the houses were built.

Jim achieved so much in his lifetime and he lived life to the full. He was known and loved by many people for his charm, character and being a true Guernsey man.

Jim and I were friends for over 60 years, having met him first at the Ascot Horse Sale. I feel extremely lucky to have had such a good friend in him. We shared our love of horses and cattle for so many years and I am so lucky that I have got such lovely memories of all our good times together.

John Berry

OBITUARY Pauline Mallett

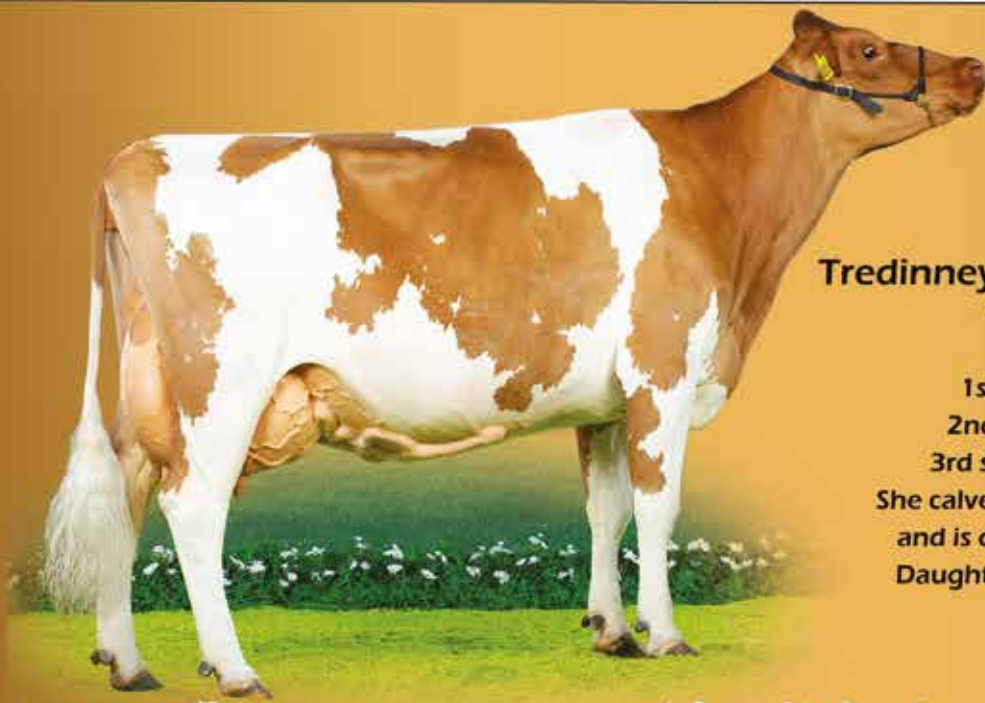
We also remember Pauline Mallett who passed away this year after a short illness. Pauline and Tony owned the Panjari herd of Guernseys and farmed near Weston Super Mare.

They had much success in the Showing and were members of the Somerset Guernsey Branch for many years. Pauline and Tony have two children, Jane and Richard and a granddaughter, Camella.

Our thoughts are with her family and friends.



'Celebrating success at the National Guernsey Show'



Champion

Tredinney Echo Alicia EX92 - 3rd Calver

1st Junior Cow UK Dairy Day

3 gens VG/EX

1st Lact 6733 4.93bf 3.23pr 305d

2nd Lact 7741 5.71bf 3.60pr 286d

3rd so far 8986 5.53bf 3.37pr in 281d

She calved in Jan gaining a month on her 2nd and is due back in 366 days to sexed Beau Daughters by Gotcha and T. Ivans Explorer

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1st Heifer in Milk



Tredinney Harrys Lilian 10 EX93(2)

1st Senior Cow UK Dairy Day

3 gens VG/EX

1st lact 6058 5.52bf 3.74pr 305d

2nd lact 6838 5.50bf 3.76pr 305d

3rd lact 7559 5.57bf 3.84pr 252d

She calved in Apr and will gain a month this time due March to T.Latimer Bounty 2018 Daughter milking in her 2nd by T. Echos Milkmaster



Tredinney Rider Bunt 13 EX91

2nd Junior Cow UK Dairy Day

2019 National Show Champion

3 gens VG/EX

1st lact 6685 4.85bf 3.34pr 305d

2nd lact 5386 5.22bf 3.69pr 285d

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Tredinney Novak

Marshmallow 6 VG88-2yrs

3 gens VG/EX

1st lact 6685 4.85bf 3.34pr 305d

2nd lact 5386 5.22bf 3.69pr 285d

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NEW ZEALAND GUERNSEYS

In 2016 when the World Guernsey conference visited New Zealand Tom and I were milking 250 cows including 40 Guernseys. It was our 3rd year milking with the Guernsey breed, an element we loved in our majority Friesian herd.

We were 50/50 share milking at the time which is the situation where there is a contract between the farm owner and a herd owning share milker, they traditionally who come in and operate the farm while owning all the cows, allowing the farm owner to step back from the day to day running. Basically a few costs are split 50/50 like feed and some fert costs as well as the milk cheque while animal health costs go to the herd owner and land and capital expenses fall to the farm owner.

The share milking position allowed us to enter the dairy industry and build equity through our animals. Each share milking contract runs on average for 3 years and in June 2016 our 3 years was up and we were looking for a larger position. When the opportunity arose to move farms

we jumped at it and shifted four and half hours away to Ohakune, a small settlement based in the centre of the north island of New Zealand at an elevation of 600m above sea level. We purchased 200 more cows to build our numbers to 450 and on the 1st of June 2016 Tom and I, our 2 children all our worldly belongings, two tractors, 450 cows, motorbikes and all sorts of other farm equipment made the 4 and half hours move down to Ohakune.

The climate in Ohakune was very cold at times, including a little snow fall during the winter. Being an all grass based system this meant the traditional milking period in New Zealand of calve in July and dry off in May was shortened to just 9 months – August calve and April dry off. We found that while we were in Ohakune the Guernsey breed struggled to get in calf in the colder climate. In New Zealand we calve all our cows over a 10-12 week period and then go into mating. While the rest of our herd seemed to be ok with an empty rate of between 8-11% the Guernseys struggled with closer to 20%.

Our Guernsey numbers within our herd did not increase over the 3 years we were in Ohakune, due to the higher empty rates and a larger number of bulls born. While this was disappointing as Guernsey breeders we also did not want to cross breed the animals so only breed Guernsey to Guernsey cattle. This was mainly due to our position as 50/50 share milkers and how our herd statistics (BW – Breed Worth and PW – Production

worth) are judged by what farm owners, some bank managers and employers want to work with. The Guernsey breed comes into the system with very bad figures due to our traditional system not registering the breed figures from England. As we are building our herd and looking for other employment opportunities it was important to keep this in mind when breeding. We made the decision to keep numbers around 40-50 so that it would not impact too harshly on our overall herd figures.



In 2019 after coming 3rd in the New Zealand Dairy Industry Awards we were on the move again, back up to the Waikato. Our herd size grew to 600 cows and our family size had grown as we had added another baby to the mix. The logistics of moving back the 4 and half hours with more cows and more 'stuff' was interesting but we made it and the cows transferred brilliantly. We had to bring our calving forward to start in July to match the climate and grass growth difference but once again the Guernsey cows loved the warmer climate. They have thrived back in the Waikato and people love seeing the Guernsey's back in the community. Our numbers are still sitting around 40 in our herd of 600 but this may be more due to the fact I sell and gift a few heifer calves every year so other people can enjoy the breed.

Guernsey New Zealand have been working hard to change and adapt to things within the Dairy Industry here in New Zealand. They have been working together with the other Breed Societies to push for change in the development of BreedIT and the ability to link our animal data to DIGAD. This could be a game changer for breeding here as it will allow people in our position to breed animals as they wish for their genetics and not be punished by bad traditional BW and PW figures.



So while we watch what happens in New Zealand with the changed to BreedIT, Tom and I are very excited to have managed to purchase our very own farm. So early next year we will pack up our things and equipment and make a move which I hope will be our last for 12-15 years. Our years of share milking and working for others have paid off. We will be able to breed our Guernsey cattle (im hoping to breed some of our own bulls to put across the predominately Friesian herd) as we see fit. And with the promotion of BreedIT in New Zealand I hope this will open up the Guernsey breed to other farming operations.

Thomas and Jemima Bebbington



HEIFERS CLASSIFIED VG BETWEEN 1/11/20 AND 31/10/21

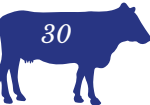
There were 54 heifers classified VG in the past 12 months bred by 19 different herds.

The Trewey herd had the highest number of VG heifers with 8 followed by the Greensfield herd with 6, and Beechgroves and Tredinney with 5.

There were 32 different sires, 13 with semen available from EGCS. The leading sire used was Trewey Victor Ezekiel with 6 heifers, followed by Lang Haven Grumpy Novak and Greensfield Philip of Amir with 4.

The top classified heifers scored 88 a full pedigree heifer, Tredinney Novak Marshmallow, she scored 88 for her final score, mammary and legs and feet. The other heifer was a cross bred called Greensfield Phils Bunny.

HBN	Prefix/ Sire	Animal Name	Date of Birth	Date of Inspection	Final Score	Legs/ Feet	Mamm
459557	TREDINNEY Lang Haven Grumpy Novak	NOVAK MARSHMALLOW	11/01/2019	23/09/2021	88	88	88
CB432	GREENSFIELD Greensfield Philip Of Amir	PHILS BUNNY	16/04/2018	23/03/2021	88	87	88
460525	PARCWENALLT Lang Haven Prada Nico - ET	NICO BLUEBELL	08/06/2018	06/07/2021	87	85	88
459005	TREDINNEY Trewey Victor Ezekiel	VICTORS BUNTY	04/12/2018	02/06/2021	87	87	87
458362	ARTHMOOR Arthmoor Victor	FORMOSA	01/09/2017	27/06/2021	86	85	88
458330	BEECHGROVES Trewey Victor Ezekiel	EZEKIEL CAMPHION	21/09/2018	21/07/2021	86	88	85
458821	BEECHGROVES Beechgroves Eragon	ERAGON EVITA	03/03/2019	21/07/2021	86	86	85
458100	BICKFIELD Lang Haven Grumpy Novak	VENESSA	06/08/2018	26/11/2020	86	85	86
459099	COTONHALL Bridlesford Lilys Richard	RICHARD ROSEBUD	21/07/2019	19/08/2021	86	88	85
459100	COTONHALL Pine Ridge Double L	D L MAYBLOSSOM	11/01/2019	19/08/2021	86	85	88
458879	GREENSFIELD Trewey Dollar	DOLLARS DIANA	05/08/2018	29/10/2021	86	85	86
458886	GREENSFIELD Trewey Dollar	DOLLAR LADY	05/10/2018	29/10/2021	86	85	86
458154	GREENSFIELD Greensfield Philip Of Amir	PHILS DOUBLE STAR	25/03/2018	23/03/2021	86	85	86
457800	MUNDOWY Lang Haven Grumpy Novak	NOVAK RIO	14/02/2018	04/11/2020	86	87	86
458843	HINTON Burleaze Pacific Henry	JOSEPHINE	05/04/2019	28/10/2021	86	87	85
457866	SKEEL Skeel Brenin	REBECCA	29/12/2017	01/09/2021	86	86	85
459127	TREDINNEY Lang Haven Grumpy Novak	NOVAK MO	04/01/2019	23/09/2021	86	86	87
458184	TREWEY Trewey Violets Leo	LEO PLUM CRAZY	31/08/2018	03/11/2020	86	85	86
457561	TREWEY Trewey Junos Legend	LEGEND VIOLET	07/10/2017	03/11/2020	86	85	86
457713	TREWEY Trewey Victor Ezekiel	VICTOR EDNA	05/12/2017	03/11/2020	86	86	85



HBN	Prefix/ Sire	Animal Name	Date of Birth	Date of Inspection	Final Score	Legs/ Feet	Mamm
459695	ARTHMOOR Arthmoor Winwns	WINWMS ROMANY	14/05/2017	27/06/2021	85	85	85
458373	ARTHMOOR Arthmoor Victor	RUELLA	21/01/2018	27/06/2021	85	85	85
15225	ARTIS	EZEKIL BONNY	06/01/2019	10/05/2021	85	85	85
458422	ARTIS Paokie Lil Ernie	ERNIE WESTWARD	05/12/2018	10/05/2021	85	85	85
458421	ARTIS Trewey Victor Ezekiel	EMMA	03/12/2018	10/05/2021	85	85	85
458427	ARTIS Walnut Ridge Prince Charming	MELANIE	08/12/2018	10/05/2021	85	85	85
457906	BEECHGROVES Beechgroves Eragon	ERAGON CORNFLOWER	22/03/2018	02/11/2020	85	85	85
458819	BEECHGROVES Beechgroves Murtagh	MURTAGH PAULINE	28/02/2019	21/07/2021	85	87	85
458927	BEECHGROVES Beechgroves Murtagh	MURTAGH EMMANUELLE	21/05/2019	21/07/2021	85	85	86
458508	BICKFIELD Trewey Victor Ezekiel	JENS	08/01/2019	25/08/2021	85	85	85
458193	BICKFIELD Tredinney Ivans Flo Rider	TESSA	28/08/2018	26/11/2020	85	85	85
458692	BICKFIELD Bourton Levis Casper	PAEONY	02/03/2019	25/08/2021	85	86	85
458440	BRIDDLESFORD Bridlesford Harebells Victor	VICTORS DAFFODIL	27/10/2018	01/09/2021	85	86	85
458305	BRIDDLESFORD Coulee Crest Fame Latimer	LATIMERS LILY	07/09/2018	01/09/2021	85	86	85
458439	BRIDDLESFORD Marodore Aarons Levi	LEVIS ANENOME	23/10/2018	01/09/2021	85	85	85
457890	BURWOOD Golden Gate Judgment Knight	HOLLY	25/03/2018	27/09/2021	85	85	85
458292	CARNE Trewey Victor Ezekiel	TRELLIS	23/08/2018	03/11/2020	85	85	85
458289	EDGEHILL Coulee Crest Fame Latimer	LATIMER FRED A	11/09/2018	26/03/2021	85	85	85
458290	EDGEHILL Coulee Crest Fame Latimer	LATIMER GRACEFUL	04/10/2018	26/03/2021	85	85	87
458138	GREENSFIELD Greensfield Philip Of Amir	PHILS STAR	18/03/2018	23/03/2021	85	85	85
CB428	GREENSFIELD Greensfield Philip Of Amir	PHILS VIOLET	23/10/2017	23/03/2021	85	85	85
CB446	HINTON	RED LILY	24/09/2017	04/11/2020	85	85	85
458320	KIMCOTE Kimcote Claret	CLARET LILAC	22/10/2018	12/04/2021	85	87	85
459837	LOWER POLGEAR Tredinney Ivans Flo Rider	ASH	25/05/2018	14/07/2021	85	85	85
458850	SKEEL Skeel Morning Star	ROSEBUD	31/08/2018	01/09/2021	85	85	85



HBN	Prefix/ Sire	Animal Name	Date of Birth	Date of Inspection	Final Score	Legs/ Feet	Mamm
457976	SKEEL Skeel Leo	ROSEBUD	26/04/2018	01/09/2021	85	86	85
459550	TREDINNEY Flambeau Manor Ladys Man	LADYS MAN JUNE AMY	25/10/2018	23/09/2021	85	85	86
459132	TREDINNEY Tredinney Harrys Flyer	FLYER JINGLE	25/02/2018	02/06/2021	85	85	85
457904	BOURTON Golden J Laredo Gotcha	GOTCHA HARRIET	06/05/2018	03/11/2020	85	85	85
458271	TREWEY Trewey Violets Leo	LEO JUNO	02/10/2018	21/06/2021	85	85	85
457742	TREWEY Trewey Junos Legend	LEGEND PLUM CRAZY	04/01/2018	03/11/2020	85	86	85
457479	TREWEY Trewey Junos Arthur	ARTHUR PLUM CRAZY	30/08/2017	21/06/2021	85	85	85
457717	TREWEY Lucky Cow Boy	LUCKY JUMBO	19/12/2017	03/11/2020	85	85	86
458484	TREWEY Bourton Grumpys Claude	CLAUDE JERRY	04/12/2018	21/06/2021	85	85	85



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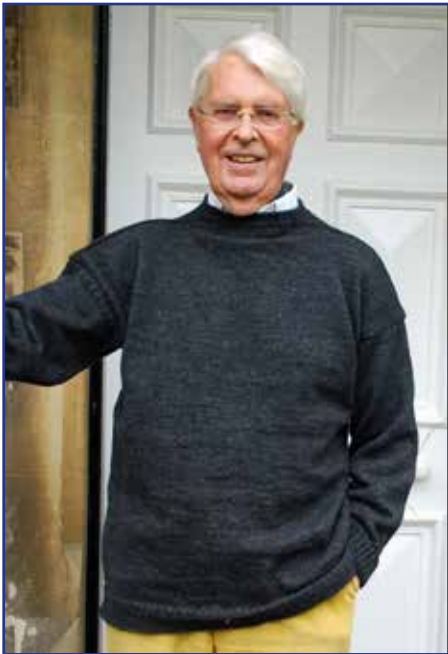
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THE FUTURE OF THE GUERNSEY BREED IN ENGLAND

I care deeply about the survival of the breed of cows that I first learned to hand milk on Guernsey during the late 1940s.

I had recently returned home after spending over 5 years, as an evacuee, being supported by the kind people of Lancashire while the Island was occupied by German troops. Then University, research in sheep and poultry improvement, and a professional career in helping to create and build what is today the world’s largest livestock breeding business in pigs and cattle. It was almost 25 years ago that I first met Chris Watson. He asked me to play a role in helping EGCS members take responsibility for applying modern genetic methods to continue improving members’ herds.

Maurice Richard



The Society realised that relying on the Holstein’s successful progeny testing system was just not appropriate for our breed’s numerically small populations scattered over several countries. By 2002, together with the Island’s RGA&HS, we launched the ‘Global Guernsey Breeding Programme’, based upon the widespread use of panels of young bulls drawn from both UK and Island herds. Unfortunately we were unable to interest the North American societies to join us, and they failed to create an alternative programme when their AI companies gradually abandoned progeny testing. Our record since then has been quite good. I feel sure that both UK and Island farmers believe that today’s cattle have been continually improving, though we may ask if we have been too slow to emphasise the breed’s unique role in specialist quality markets.

Genetic and data-processing methods have continued to develop since I was first teaching students in the 1960s. In particular we now have the possibility to identify the actual genes inherited as half samples from each parent - the GENOME. We can then predict an individual’s performance, and its breeding value, through evidence from previous animals in the breed which possessed some of those same genes. Obviously the more evidence we have the more reliable the predictions.

For the Holstein breed, the semen companies provided financial support to enable researchers to

tease out the necessary prediction equations, using data from thousands of accurately proven bulls (called the reference population). As a result there has been a total change in the methods used to identify their most promising young bulls to sire the next generation of heifers. A tissue sample from a Holstein bull calf can already provide a highly reliable prediction of his future daughters’ performance. And these equations can be constantly checked and improved as more evidence is collected.

Unfortunately we don’t have this luxury. And we never will. The initial reference population was under 500 bulls from several countries. We cannot expect to achieve the same lift in reliability through Genomic EBVs, but we do anticipate an improvement. We must ensure that EVERY bull used in our programme is genotyped, and that we also genotype a number of females. Their data are less valuable but will gradually enlarge the store of information from which the GEBVs are derived.

An EU-funded research programme genotyped all cows on the Island in 2014, and ever since

then some 500 heifers have been added each year, starting with those born in 2013/4, paid by the breeders. But of course it takes 3 years before those calves have a first record, and 5 or more before they provide useful data on fertility, survival etc. Today more than 3,500 cows have been given a Genomic prediction. And, spurred on by the generous legacy from Chris Watson, we have made a start on sampling 500 English cows.

When we met with the scientists who were processing our data three years ago, it was obvious that they were finding additional problems in developing our enhanced predictions. That work continues, but the unfortunate result is that the Genomic values we receive are still predicted based on the use of information from the original small reference population. We await the anticipated improved reliability based on the inclusion of our cow data. And as the two sub-populations have become less tightly bound together, since it became difficult to exchange semen, it is vital to increase the amount of English cow data contributing to the predictions.

While we look forward to more reliable predictions, the REAL DRIVER of our programme remains the production and widespread use of the best possible group of least-related young bulls each year. And the fact is YOU COULD ALL DO MUCH BETTER!

I often ask myself “Do all active members really appreciate their duty to help the breed move forward? And do they fully understand their role?”. Compete in the show ring if you like. But please work as one towards breed improvement.

- 1. Every year we MUST try to get up to 10 of the very best young bulls safely into AI facilities, preferably to produce sexed semen.

- 2. Let us identify our best potential bull dams using predicted breeding values provided by AHDB: parent average or preferably Genomic.

The FOB committee has tried to do this but needs to review candidates more frequently. We then ask the owners to arrange for insemination by specified bull sires (semen supplied).

- 3. The owner then should:
 - make the correct mating
 - alert the Office of the birth of a satisfactory bull calf
 - register it promptly
 - help arrange for a tissue sample to be processed
 - and try to rear it safely to the high standards of the AI studs, until a decision has been made on whether your Society is likely to need it.

This does not mean running it with heifers while you wait for it to be collected.

- 4. Those administering the programme (FOB committee and Office) have to work closely with you to ensure that your willing participation does not seriously impact on your own business. Milk production in England is not exactly a gravy train. Of course this is not easy.

I hope I don’t have to attend another FOB meeting when the outcome is so few suitable new young bulls.

FEMALES REGISTERED 01/01/2015 - 31/12/2020

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	Grand Total
Full Pedigree	798	673	677	690	640	614	3478
Supplementary Register	128	147	120	106	133	87	721
Total	926	820	797	796	773	701	4813
Number of Sires used	92	88	81	83	75	69	205
Number of Prefixes	59	58	54	58	49	49	88

MALES REGISTERED 01/01/2015 - 31/12/2020

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	Grand Total
Totals	18	19	25	15	9	14	100
Number of Sires used	14	14	17	11	8	11	56
Number of Prefixes	11	10	14	10	9	11	28

GDM COWS QUALIFIED BETWEEN DECEMBER 2020 AND AUGUST 2021

HBN	Animal Sire	Date of Birth	Owner	Lacts	Fat+ Protein	Score	PLI	GMI
452226	BRIDDLESFORD ASTRONOMERS DAISY 2	31/08/2011	E J Griffin & Son	5	5,235	VG85	£135	258
449431	CARNE JULY	01/07/2008	C L Hichens & Sons	10	5,300	VG85	£122	133
448443	TREWEY FRED'S VINNEY 9	14/10/2008	J A & J H Mann	9	5,367	EX93	£74	137
448968	ST SENARA ANITA 2	01/04/2009	J A & J H Mann	7	5,291	EX92	£125	145
450448	SUMMERHILL FORTUNE 23	01/12/2009	R J Cole	8	5,463		-£84	52
452225	BRIDDLESFORD ALSTARS DAFFODIL	25/08/2011	E J Griffin & Son	5	5,104	H77	£189	293
CB192	BOCADDON ROLLO BLJ LEONIE	21/03/2008	Mr & Mrs N Maiklem	10	5,515		-£49	42
448632	BICKFIELD DUCHESS 31	08/11/2008	M C & Mrs Durbin	8	5,247	EX90	£43	77
449664	GREENSFIELD MAY KING SUDLEY 2	05/05/2009	M & Mrs C Greenslade	9	5,012	EX90	-£27	11
448099	BEECHGROVES KYLIE	24/08/2008	E J Lacey & Sons	9	5,573	EX92	-£71	-164
450830	BEECHGROVES NIKITA 9	01/10/2010	E J Lacey & Sons	8	5,160	GP82	-£38	19
452062	BEECHGROVES EVELINE 7	21/11/2011	E J Lacey & Sons	7	5,079	VG86	£26	152
449478	KENVIN MCCOY TRICKSEY 104	09/02/2009	D J Vincent	8	5,152	H75	-£39	28



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GUERNSEY GRAND CHAMPIONSHIP AT DAIRY DAY 2021

Results from the Guernsey classes at Dairy Day 2021, this year the EGCS National Show, kindly judged by Dawn Coryn.

Dawn reports, 'it was my privilege to Judge at 2021 following the postponement of "life" in 2020. Great to see competition back, a shame there was not more forward but some tremendous individuals exhibited. Well-done to all involved getting the wheels in motion & thankyou to officials & ring stewards for the memorable day!'



Guernsey Heifer in Milk winner, Tredinney Novak Marshmallow 6.

Guernsey Heifer in Milk

Sponsored by Waikato Milking Systems UK

- 1. Tredinney Novak Marshmallow 6 (RJ & JR Warren)
- 2. Cotonhall D L Mayblossom (R D Kite & Son)
- 3. Kimcote Claret Lilac 11 (A D & R M Thomas)

Dawn's comments:

I lead the class with the most complete animal, catching my eye immediately with her superior style on parade. A heifer with width of heart from the front, superior forerib & spring of barrel, squareness of rump helped to show off her high & wide rear udder, in addition to her locomotion, using her pastern strength to move freely as if on train tracks. It was this overall strength, scale, chest & rump – particularly pin width that gave her the advantage over my 2nd place heifer.

2nd was "udderly" glorious, this heifer stood out as Best Udder Class. Super silky with height & width in the rear, a clearly defined ligament, best teat quality, especially front, The immensely long, tight & blended fore udder attachment pipped my top animal for this ribbon.



2nd over 3rd, I gave advantage in particular for fullness of udder & bloom. This was the tallest heifer, the longest & deepest individual. I admired her highly textured mammary system that looked uber milky. A real shame she did not have a full udder on the day against two that came out all guns blazing.



Guernsey Junior Cow in Milk.

Guernsey Junior Cow in Milk (having had 2 or 3 calves)

Sponsored by Scarsdale Vets

- 1. Tredinney Echo Alicia (RJ & JR Warren)
- 2. Tredinney Rider Bunty 13 (RJ & JR Warren)
- 3. Trewey Legend Rosie 19 (P Whetham & R Norman)
- 4. Kimcote Conquest Valerie (A D & R M Thomas)

Dawn's feedback:

I like cows that have natural wedge; my winner fulfilled the brief!

It was the style & breed character in the head, extra height through the clean front end, length of neck, chine rise in the shoulder, extra rib length in the barrel for me that won me over – I loved her frame. From every angle this cow had such a balanced strength & quality about her, with simply outstanding mobility.

The cleaner thigh allowed the udder to sit more snugly was also an area of particular advantage over 2nd – coupled with that extra charisma, more capacity with openness in the rib. In the udder too, the teat quality was a factor – although I did admire the fulness of udder of this 2nd Junior cow, an everyday kind of herd cow that one could never get tired of working with.

2 over 3 was this bloom & fullness of a level udder, showing greater width in the mammary with more squarely placed teats than my clean skinned flat boned 3rd.

3rd over 4th the battle of the machines. I selected the truer type junior cow, who retained way more youthfulness, walking with superior mobility & a leveller rump.

In 4th though, was certainly the deepest cow of the day – what a powerhouse with an immense frame!

Guernsey Senior Cow in Milk (having had 4 calves or more)

Sponsored by Westpoint Farm Vets

- 1. Tredinney Harrys Lilian 10 (RJ & JR Warren)
- 2. Severn Ivors Sweetpea (J R Edwards)

Dawn's thoughts:

My 1st placed cow followed the cut of my previous class winner. Strength with balance, substance with quality, moving freely on sound legs & feet making life look easy carrying her udder with ease; yes, I would like to see her in fresh clothes but just too much cow in a show ring for my 2nd place animal to handle but I would like to give a special mention to the exhibitor of this little 9yr old Senior cow that looks a real profitable

sort that I feel punches above her weight at home whilst at work.

Guernsey Grand Championship

Judge: Dawn Coryn

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Champion:

Tredinney Echo Alicia (RJ & JR Warren)

Reserve Champion:

Tredinney Harrys Lilian 10 (RJ & JR Warren)

Honourable Mention:

Tredinney Rider Bunty 13 (RJ & JR Warren)

Dawn's thoughts:

Championship was the complete Junior Cow that oozed such quality & grace.

Reserve Champion was easy life looking Senior Cow that matched my Champion so well.

Honourable Mention was the Runner Up Junior Cow – All seasons, everyday modern kind.

Pictures of the Grand Championship cows can be found on the front page and inside cover.

DEVON COUNTY SHOW

The Devon County show returned after a one year hiatus due to Covid-19. Colin Gleed kindly judged the Guernsey and Inter breed classes and gave this report of the day.

There were only 6 Guernseys forward, but they were of a very high standard. Michael Dawes had an entry in each class, and all of his animals were of a very similar type. They were all youthful, well balanced, and showing great dairyness. They also had superb legs and feet and correct, tidy udders. They were in fact, a great credit to him, and a fine example of the modern Guernsey breed.



Blacknor Cracker Weston Duchess, in her 7th lactation, stood as Guernsey breed champion and Reserve Interbreed Champion.

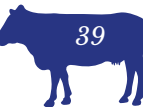


However, he was beaten to the Championship on the day, by a fantastic dairy cow, shown by Abi Marshall. This 7th calver displayed great power, with tremendous width and body depth, combined with excellent legs and feet, and an udder still with the quality of a much younger cow.

I had no hesitation in making Blacknor Cracker Weston Duchess my Champion, with Michael Dawes 2nd calver, Edgehill Latimer Graceful, my Reserve.

Later in the day, I had the honour of judging the Inter- Breed classes which culminated in the Supreme Championship, where I made Duchess a very worthy Reserve Champion from a very strong class.

Colin Gleed



THE DAIRY SHOW

This year saw the Dairy Show return with only calf and heifer classes. A big thanks go to all the exhibitors who attended a supported the show.

DAIRY SHOW SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES

Entries were a little disappointing at the dairy show Showmanship classes. Laura Sales was judging the handlers this evening.

Representing the breed in the age 16 to 20 year olds was 20 year old Millie Delneva and 17 year old Hannah Garrett who were placed 1st and second guernsey handlers.

In the 12 to 15 years Class, Rosa Brown, 13, was the only competitor and in the 7 to 11 years old class Daisy Wells, 10, was placed first and Oswald Loder also 10, 2nd.

In the Championship Veterinary Student, Millie on her first ever handling debut, was judged Champion with Daisy Wells in reserve.

Congratulations to all the handlers for their participation in the competition.



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DAIRY SHOW RESULTS

Guernsey Calf born on or after 1st Jan 2021

1. D. Gribble. Chiddingstone Coco by Fernando Lyndon.
2. Gilbert Loder. Broadleaze Excalibur Margaret.
3. Polly Whetham. Emma Eve Toby Keith Rosie 2 ET.
4. Christine Langford. Rosedale Gligi by Spitfire.

Guernsey calf born on or between 1st Oct 2020 and 31st Dec 2020

1. D. Gribble. Chiddingstone Indigo Zelda.
2. D. Gribble. Chiddingstone Lorna by Grumpy Novak.

Guernsey Calf born on or between 1st July 2020 and 30th Sept 2020

1. Polly Whetham. Hinton Damson 8, by Yorkies Freddie.
2. C&M Moody. Latifa Brogdan Malteaza.

Champion Calf Chiddingstone Indigo Zelda
Reserve Champion Calf Hinton Damson 8.

Guernsey Heifer born on or between 1st April 2020 and 30th June 2020

1. Polly Whetham. Emmaeve Excalibur Rosie.
2. Polly Whetham. Emmaeve Brogdan Peggy.
3. D. Gribble. Chiddingstone Henrys Rio.
4. D. Gribble. Chiddingstone Henry Olivet.

Guernsey heifer born on or between 1st Jan 2020 and 31st March 2020

To calve at under 3 years of age.

1. D. Gribble. Tredinnick James Genette.

Guernsey heifer born on or between 1st April 2019 and 31st Dec 2019

To calve at under 3 years of age

1. D. Gribble. Hinton Lambeau Margaret.
2. Polly Whetham. Emmaeve Latimer Bear.
3. Polly Whetham. Je'Taime Lambeau Peggy.

Champion Heifer Emma Eve Excalibur Rosie.
Reserve Champion Hinton Lambeau Margaret.

Peter Down Points Cup Digby Gribble.



Winner of the Peter Down Points Cup,
Digby Gribble with Judge Emma Greenslade.



Chiddingstone Indigo Zelda, Champion Calf at the Dairy Show 2021. Prepared and shown by M Dawes, owned by D Gribble.



ABAB GUERNSEY CALF SHOW 2021



Champion: Emma Eve Excalibur Rosie, Ms Polly Whetham
R: Emma Eve TBC Rosie 2 ET, Ms Polly Whetham
H: Kimcote Brogden Fragrant 8, AD and RM Thomas



Reserve Champion
Emma Eve Toby Keith Rosie 2 ET

With the first class of the day I found the quality that would follow throughout the classes, even with only one young heifer forward, taking the lead here was Emma Eve Toby Keith Rosie 2, a heifer that had the balance I want in a young heifer, feminine through the head and neck with exceptional width of chest for her age and a phenomenal depth of rib, parading on beautiful legs and feet with beautiful bone quality.

Second class of the day brought forward two beautiful examples of the breed, My winner Kimcote Brogden Fragrant 8 having tremendous length and femininity throughout, tremendous bone quality and moved so well on parade. The close second place went to Tredinney Keith Bunty, a calf that



Chiddingstone Indigo Zelda,
Champion Calf at the Dairy Show 2021

had a wonderful width of chest and spring of rib, but my winner edged over her for her length of body and strength of spine and through the crops.

Next class of the day, although only one forward offered me a calf

to fit the profile of my previous class winners, with dairyness, length of frame and a neat rump setting meaning Chiddingstone Indigo Zelda was well worthy of taking her place in the championship line-up.

My fourth class to officiate brought the largest entry of the day, with six heifers forward, each with strong breed qualities, with the top three heifers each having qualities that could bring them to the fore. In selecting Kimcote Hercules Fresco 8 as my class winner I went for the heifer possessing the least faults and being closest to the ideal, she oozed dairyness, with depth and openness of rib, wonderful set to the rump and well shaped rear legs. She took the advantage over her herdmate Kimcote Claret Susan 2 in second for her superior rear legs, moving better on legs with a better shape from both the side and rear. The second, a similar cut heifer to the first advanced over Tredinney



Latimer Amber 4 being stronger in the crops, deeper and more open of the rib, but especially in the way she used her front legs.

In the final class of heifers for the day I found a very handy winner in Emma Eve Excalibur Rosie, an upstanding, classy heifer dripping with style, she took first over Kimcote Claret Lilac 13 for her added length of neck and length of body, more open sweeping rib and her beautiful bone quality. Second edged out Tredinney Claude Anoushka 7, for her added femininity of front end, cleaner brisket, and depth and openness of rib. Taking nothing away from a wonderfully well balanced heifer with great legs and feet stood in third.

On to the grand championship and its testament to the breeders and young members showing the calves the quality forward, and the standard to which they were turned out. It thoroughly pleased me to have a championship in front of me with every calf being a similar stamp and cut, dairy heifers with balance and great rump structures. But my final Championship line up were 3 calves that had held my attention from entering their classes, that had the complete package. In tapping out the mature calf as champion, Novice calf reserve and the Junior calf Honourable Mention, my championship line up certainly was Fragrant with Rosie's!! (Champion pictured on the back page).

Iwan Thomas

Champion - Emma Eve Excalibur Rosie
Reserve - Emma Eve Toby Keith Rosie 2
HM - Kimcote Brogden Fragrant 8

EGCS NOTABLE UPCOMING EVENTS & SHOWS



- 25TH JANUARY 2022
British Cattle Breeders Club Conference
- 2ND FEB 2022
DairyTech
- 12TH MARCH 2022
UK Dairy Expo
- 9TH-11TH JUNE 2022
Royal Cornwall Show
- 30TH JUNE, 1ST-2ND JULY 2022
Devon County Show
- 12TH- 15TH JULY 2022
Great Yorkshire Show
- 18TH-21ST JULY 2022
Royal Welsh Show
- 17TH-18TH AUGUST 2022
The West Show, Guernsey Island
- 14TH SEPTEMBER 2022
UK Dairy Day
- 5TH OCTOBER 2022
Dairy Show 2022

World Guernsey Conference Tour United Kingdom Summer 2023

PROFILE OF A FUTURE GOLDEN BREEDER: MARGARET THOMAS

Margaret is the youngest of Alan and Rebecca Thomas's family of four. The family farm near Lutterworth in Leicestershire milking around 40 Guernseys running with around 160 Holsteins. Herd prefix is Kimcote.



Margaret with Kimcote Hercules Fresco 8 in the holding ring before the Showmanship Classes.

With three very competitive older brothers how have you survived?

By trying to keep everyone calm and getting on with the job in hand.

You are studying finance. What made you choose this course and what are your career plans when you qualify?

I am studying at Harris Church of England Academy in Rugby. I chose this course because I was good at maths and business studies at school so thought I might try it and see how I get on as I have never known what I wanted to do in the future.

What could EGCS do for you to improve your experience?

They could run more events as the only time you get to see others from the Guernsey community is at the shows and never elsewhere.



Guernsey Young Handlers: Champion Margaret Thomas (centre), Reserve Champion Michael Dawes and HonourableMention Shannon Dawes.

Margaret and Shannon were 3rd and 4th respectively in a class of 12 Coloured Breeds Senior Handlers (16-20 yrs) which contained the Champion Shorthorn Handler placed 1st, the Ayrshire Honourable Mention 2nd and British Friesian Champion Abi Marshall who learnt her skills showing Guernseys!

Michael Dawes stood 4th in the Coloured Breeds Mature Class (21-27 yrs) of 19, 12 of whom had been Breed Handling Champions in previous years.

What are your first memories of being involved with Guernseys?

As far as I remember we have had Guernseys so I would say I don't have a specific memory.

What are your most memorable moments; a success, funny or cute?

Winning Guernsey champion young handler at this year's All Breeds All Britain Show held at the East of England Showground, Peterborough.

Do you have a favourite Guernsey?

Not really.

Which is your favourite Show?

ABAB Calf Show.

Do you have (or had) a Guernsey mentor, someone who has supported and encouraged you?

No.

You were Champion Guernsey Handler at this years All Britain. Is this the highlight of your showing career so far?

Yes, alongside winning champion young handler at the East Midlands Holstein Young Breeders qualifier.

What involvement do you have on the family farm?

I help out after work and on weekends.

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2021 EGCS ANNUAL COMPETITION RESULTS

TIRESFORD PERPETUAL TROPHY

Herd with 65 or more qualifying lactations which records the highest total average of Fat & Protein in the last official recording year (1/10/19-30/9/20)

Winner: R J & J R Warren (Tredinney)

73 cows avg. 6886 kgs 5.05%F, 3.57%P = 594 kgs F+P

Reserve: E J Griffin & Son (Briddlesford)

87 cows avg. 6488 kgs 5.29%F, 3.58%P = 574 kgs F+P

Stockmens Trophy
James Warren

ERIC ROSE of LEWESTON PERPETUAL TROPHY

Herd with less than 65, but more than 9, qualifying lactations which records the highest total average of Fat & Protein in the last official recording year (1/10/19-30/9/20)

Winner: A D Thomas (Kimcote)

30 cows avg. 7288 kgs 4.88%F, 3.43%P = 606 kgs F+P

Reserve: G S Davies (Skeel)

61 cows avg. 6183 kgs 5.41%F, 3.76%P = 566 kgs F+P

Stockmans Trophy
Alan Thomas

EGCS SPECIAL AWARD

Awarded to the herd with more than 9 qualifying lactations which records the highest increase in total average weight of Fat & Protein in the last official recording year.

Winner: M C & Mrs Durbin (Bickfield)

+ 50 kgs F+P

Reserve: M & C Greenslade (Greensfield)

+ 47 kgs F+P

LOVETT CAMERON MEMORIAL CHALLENGE TROPHY

This Trophy is awarded to the VG or higher classified homebred Guernsey DM cow, giving the highest total weight of Fat + Protein kgs with a minimum of 4.5% butterfat in a lactation not exceeding 305 days, in the last recording year.

Winner: Mrs C Moody (Latifa)

Latifa Princess Leia EX94 DM, CME

sire. Tredinney Yogis Andante

Lactation 4, 11,759 kgs 10.50%F, 3.14%P = 1,604 kgs F+P

Reserve: R J & J R Warren (Tredinney)

Tredinney Candyman Gillian 2 EX90 DM

sire. Tredinney Conquerors Candyman

Lactation 3, 11,262 kgs 4.56%F, 3.25%P = 879 kgs F+P

EGCS TROPHY

Awarded to the Female Champion or Reserve Female Champion, at a show in 2020 where an EGCS Championship Rosette was presented, with the highest weight of Fat + Protein in a lactation completed in the last recording year.

Not awarded due to no shows in 2020.

ALFRED CHESTER BEATTY MEMORIAL TROPHY

This trophy is awarded automatically to the owner of the three Registered Guernsey cows, the progeny of the same sire, which have produced the highest total weight of Fat plus Protein in one lactation from each of the three cows in the last recording year. The sire will be highlighted rather than the females involved.

Winner: E J Lacey & Sons (Beechgroves)

s. Beechgroves Eldorado

Beechgroves Eldorado Carnation = 937 kgs

Beechgroves Eldorado Pauline = 864 kgs

Beechgroves Eldorado Anna Louise = 709 kgs

Total = 2510 kgs F+P

Reserve: R J & J R Warren (Tredinney)

s. Tredinney Conquerors Candyman

Tredinney Candyman Gillian 2 = 879 kgs

Tredinney Candyman Gillian 4 = 760 kgs

Tredinney Candyman Amber 3 = 724 kgs

Total = 2363 kgs F+P

THURLOW CHALLENGE TROPHY

Awarded to the Guernsey cow or heifer, full pedigree or in the supplementary register, having produced the highest weight of Fat plus Protein in the last recording year.

Winner: Mrs C Moody (Latifa)

Latifa Princess Leia EX94 DM, CME

sire. Tredinney Yogis Andante

Lactation 4, 11,759 kgs 10.50%F, 3.14%P = 1,604 kgs F+P

Reserve: E J Lacey & Sons (Beechgroves)

Beechgroves Eldorado Carnation H80 DM, CM

sire. Beechgroves Eldorado

Lactation 4, 12,191 kgs 4.47%F, 3.22%P = 937 kgs F+P

FITZWALTER MEMORIAL CHALLENGE CUP

Awarded to the herd in which three Registered Homebred Guernsey cows, that have qualified CM or CME and produced the highest total weight of Fat plus Protein with a minimum of 4.5% fat in the last recording year.

Winner: E J Lacey & Sons (Beechgroves)

Beechgroves Eldorado Pauline VG85 DM, CME

Beechgroves Eveline 7 VG86 GDM, DM, CME

Beechgroves Phonze Anna H77 DM, CM

Total = 2495 kgs F+P

Reserve: E J Griffin & Son (Briddlesford)

Briddlesford Legends Bluebell GP81 DM, CME

Briddlesford Double LS Lily 2 GP82 DM, CME

Briddlesford Alstars Daffodil H77 GDM, DM, CM

Total = 2422 kgs F+P

OXLYNCH TROPHY

Awarded to the oldest Guernsey cow recorded as having calved in 2020.

Winner: M H Jones & Partners (Kelsmor)

Kelsmor Daffodil 140 – born 10/08/2006

11 lactations - Last calf 29/01/2020

NORTH AMERICAN TROPHY

Awarded annually to the breeder of a Type Classified Registered Cow Family group of five animals, bred in direct female line, which have recorded the highest final ratings and to have calved last calf after 31st March 2019.

Winner: JA & JH Mann (Trewey)

Bred in line from Trewey Rosie 3 Average 91.4 points

Reserve: JA & JH Mann (Trewey)

Bred in line from Kirthen Crocus Juno Average 90.4 points

EGCS BUTTERFAT TROPHY

Awarded to the owner of the cow to reach the GDM qualifying standard at the youngest age between August 2020 and April 2021. GDM is calculated on natural lactation quantities.

Winner: E J Griffin & Son (Briddlesford)

Briddlesford Astronomers Daisy 2 VG85 GDM, DM, CME

(Qualified at 8 years 9 months)

sire. Tredinney Buzzards Astronomer

5 lactations avg. 9842 kgs 4.72%F, 3.44%P, PLI £135

Reserve: E J Griffin & Son (Briddlesford)

Briddlesford Alstars Daffodil H77, GDM, DM, CM

(Qualified at 9 years 2 months)

sire. Sniders Ronalds Alstar

5 lactations avg. 8502 kgs 5.10%F, 3.40%P, PLI £189

THE SPENCER FOLLETT TROPHY

Awarded to the breeder/importer of the Bull with a minimum of 10 heifers classified in 2020 with the highest average score.

Winner: The Late Mrs P Coryn

Lucky Cow Boy

14 Heifers avg. 81.79 points

Reserve: JA & JH Mann (Trewey)

Trewey Junos Arthur

12 Heifers avg. 81.75 points

Hon Mention: P C & C G Cox (Bourton)

Bourton Grumpys Claude

21 Heifers avg. 81.67 points

GUERNSEY STOCKMANS CUP

Awarded to the breeder of a group of 10 cows listed in the DairyCo Top 1,000 Cows in August 2021 that have the highest average £PLI.

Winner: J A & J H Mann (Trewey)

Average £PLI – 241.1, Average GMI – 324.6

Reserve: G S Davies (Skeel)

Average £PLI – 224.7, Average GMI – 327.4

P O EDDY TROPHY

Awarded to the highest placed herd listed in the DairyCo Top Guernsey Herds in August 2021 that have the highest £PLI.

Winner: M Dawes (Edgehill)

£PLI 97 PTA Milk +263

Reserve: G S Davies (Skeel)

£PLI 43 PTA Milk +73

THE CHALVINGTON CUP

Awarded to the Breeder or the Importer of the Bull having reached a minimum reliability of 50% for the first time in 2020 who has the lowest % score for SCC.

Winner: D Vincent (Kenvin)

Kenvin Fresh Prince

-13 SCC Rel 57%

31 daughters in 1 herd

Reserve: The Late M R Jones

Aber Samson

-9 SCC Rel 60%

65 daughters in 18 herds

THE IFORD CUP

Awarded to the Breeder or Importer of the Bull with a minimum of 5 daughters registered in 2020 who have the highest avg. GMI (calculated from Parent Average Scores).

Winner: R J & J R Warren (Tredinney)

Tredinney Harrys Flyer

9 daughters avg. GMI 186.67

Reserve: J A & J H Mann (Trewey)

Trewey Lucky Jerry

8 daughters avg. GMI 167.00

THE HUNTON TROPHY

Awarded to the Breeder of the Bull born in 2020 with the highest GMI.

Winner: G S Davies (Skeel)

Skeel Latino

s. Coulee Crest Fame Latimer d. Skeel Dot 6 VG85

+254 kgs M +23.3 kgs F+P -0.03%F +0.06%P GMI 240

Reserve: J A & J H Mann (Trewey)

Trewey Emperor

s. Trewey Yorkies Freddie d. Trewey Aaron Edna 9 EX93

+191 kgs M +8.9 kgs F+P +0.07%F +0.02%P GMI 225

THE EGCS CUP

Awarded to the owner of the Cow Family group of 5 cows, bred in direct female line, having the highest weight of Fat + Protein in the last recording year.

Winner: E J Griffin & Son (Briddlesford)

Briddlesford Lily Family Total = 3654 kgs

Reserve: E J Griffin & Son (Briddlesford)

Briddlesford Daffodil Family Total = 3570 kgs

MRS CARY BARNARD PERPETUAL MEMORIAL TROPHY

Awarded to the Herd with the highest percentage of cows, with a minimum of five, born in 2012, that have qualified CM/CME.

Winner: E J Griffin & Son (Briddlesford)

Cows born – 28, Qualified CM/CME – 8 = 28.57%

Reserve: R J & J R Warren (Tredinney)

Cows born – 26, Qualified CM/CME – 6 = 23.08%



Je T'aime & EmmaEve

Golden Guernseys

2021 All Breed All Britain Guernsey

Champion

&

Reserve Champion



Emma Eve Excalibur Rosie



Emma Eve Toby Keith Rosie 2 ET

Both heifers are Daughters out of the 2018 All Breed All Britain Guernsey champion calf Trewey Legend Rosie 19 VG 88.

We have recently Implanted embryos from Legend Rosie sired by Springhill Java and will be flushing her in the near future to Hurricane .

Our Only Acquisition of 2021

Hinton Damson 8 – Reserve Champion Guernsey Calf at The South West Dairy Show



This exciting acquisition was purchased from the "Hinton" dispersal sale.

Polly and I would like to thank James Bartlett for looking after our show team during these past few years.

We both wish James all the best in whatever path he decides to take in the near future.

Richard (Je T'aime) 07968542729

Polly (EmmaEve) 07464200128

JE T'AIME & EMMAEVE

GOLDEN GUERNSEYS SHOW REPORT



After what seemed like an eternity, the time came to dig out the clippers, find the show box and get the calves ready for our first show. We had already halter broken the calves we thought were good enough to show this season.

We just needed the shows to be going ahead to take our Golden Guernseys to.

Team Norman hadn't lost their appetite for showing so it was full steam ahead, it would be nice to get the cattle out, meet the general public and most importantly meet up with our old show friends who we had not seen for nearly eighteen months.

Our first show was Mid Somerset we only took two animals to this show just to test the water to see how everything went. The amount of visitors there was unbelievable. It is great to do well in the show ring, but you get just as much pleasure out of watching the public come up admire and touch the animals, something we take for granted. As a team we try and support our local shows but of course the big ones to. This year we did Dairy day, the South West Dairy Show and of course the all Britain all Breeds Calf Show.



We attended nine shows in total culminating with the last weekend in November we took three calves to the new Dorset County Show Winter Fayre, a new venture set in Dorchester Cattle Market which hadn't seen any cattle for 30 years. This was a lovely show just handler classes which meant the calves only needed minimal clipping before the winter keeping their nice warm coats.

We are lucky to have an extremely talented team, there is no I in team and everyone works well together. The preparation for the shows usually starts the weekend before at Polly's to clip the animals. They then just need a tidy-up and when we get to the shows we can leave it to the professional fitter Mike Potter to work his magic.

Laura Sales has also stepped in several times to help, giving the children some helpful tips and advice.

Showing is a lot of hard work but it is always worth-while by seeing the pleasure in the girls' faces whilst showing (especially if their calves actually walk for them). It is always nice to win but it is no disgrace to be beaten by a better animal.

We enjoy showing with fellow Guernsey breeders but competitions are a lot harder when up against different breeds. The outcome is then usually dependent on the judge's preferred breed so can be a bit disappointing.

The Guernsey cattle that have been presented at the shows certainly shows improvements in the breed and there are plenty of top quality Guernseys around. Special mention must be made to our fellow Guernsey breeders, there were fifteen Guernseys from four different breeders at the South West Dairy Show.

I think the future is golden for the Guernsey shows. You have the hardcore enthusiasts such as Michael Dawes, Digby Gribble, Mike Moody, James Warren and the Thomas family. These families not only find the time to show off their outstanding cattle, but to promote the breed itself.

Showing is a bug; one certainly doesn't do it to make money. It is a place to go and feel proud of your achievements in breeding and rearing quality cattle. Most importantly it is a place where you can make lifelong friends. Before and after the judging we are all friends, once in the ring, each to their own!!

I am proud to be part of such an amazing team, from Polly who does the calf rearing, Jamie and Kelly who taxi the girls around, help on show days and always provide plenty of snacks.

The most important are the girls Jazzy, Rosa, Daisy and Zara who make this all worthwhile. A special thanks to Sophie who often turns up on show days and pitches in and to Kirsten for her help behind the scenes.



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“World’s Champion” Guernsey

American Cow produces 1,103lbs. of Butter Fat and 18,626lbs. of Milk

A New "World's Champion" Guernsey cow is notified from America. She is Countess Prue, 43785, and it is claimed that she has the highest butter fat output recorded for the breed. Since 1915 the highest record was 1098.18 lbs. of butter fat by Murne Cowan, 19597, but Countess Prue has now come along with 1103.28 lbs. of butter fat and 18626.9 lbs. of milk for a year's production. The cow is owned by Mr. F. L. Howes, Riverdale Farm, Groton, Mass., and is about 1,300 lbs. in weight.

Her sire was Bell-founder, 11681, a bull whose sixteen daughters at the farm have made 20 records, averaging 12627 lbs. of milk and 642.26 lbs. of butter fat. He is a grandson of an imported. animal, Island Champion, 6263. His dam, Island Blossom, 18886, was a daughter of the imported France's Masher 2nd, and is a sister of the famous Guernsey matrons France's Milk Maid, 15341, and Anton's Frances, 27291.

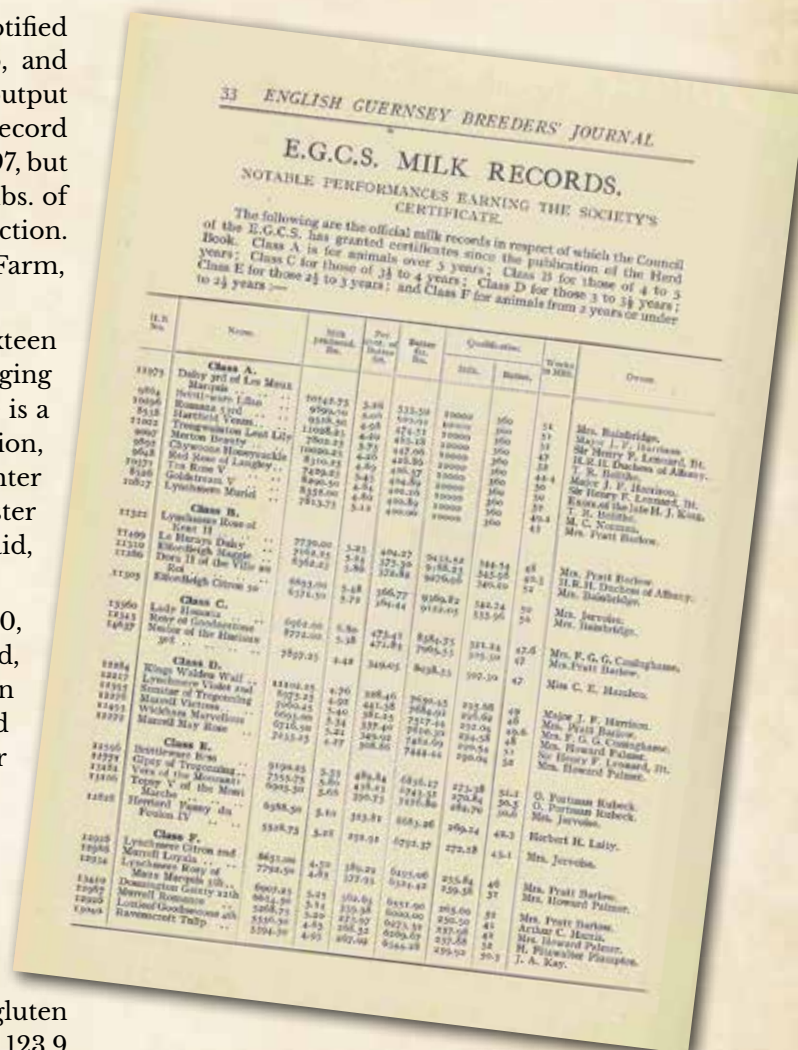
Countess Prue, 43785, was born December 20, 1912, and was bred by Joseph A. Blake, of Litchfield, Connecticut. In April, 1914, she was sold to B. Austin Cheney, and remained in his Falcon's Flight herd until September, 1917, when she was sold to her present owner.

It may be of interest to mention that she was milked three times daily, and that her record was supervised by the Massachusetts.

Experiment Station: Below is her owner's statement of feed: December. 578.2 lbs, grain: 82.6 lbs. bran, 41.3 lbs. each hominy, ground oats, gluten feed, cottonseed meal, oil meal, and alfalfa meal, 123.9 lbs. each Unicorn Dairy Ration and Schumacher Feed: 465 lbs. beet pulp, 620 lbs. each silage and mixed hay. January-660.8 lbs. grain: 82.6 lbs. each bran, cottonseed meal, and alfalfa meal, 41.3 lbs. each hominy, ground oats, gluten feed, and oil meal, 123.9 lbs. each Unicorn Dairy Ration and Schumacher Feed: 600 lbs. beet pulp, 930 lbs. silage, 630 lbs. mixed hay.

February: 580.5 lbs. grain: 77.4 lbs. each bran and cottonseed meal, 38.7 lbs. each hominy, ground oats, gluten feed, oil meal, and alfalfa meal, 116.1 lbs. each Unicorn Dairy Ration and Schumacher Feed: 435 lbs. beet pulp, 870 lbs. silage, 435 lbs. mixed hay.

March: 619.5 lbs. grain: 82.6 lbs. each bran and cottonseed meal, 41.3 lbs. each hominy, ground oats, gluten feed, oil meal, and alfalfa meal, 123.9 lbs. each Unicorn Dairy Ration and Schumacher Feed; 620 lbs. each beet pulp, silage, and hay.



April: 600 lbs. grain: So lbs. each bran and cottonseed meal, 40 lbs. each hominy, ground oats, gluten feed, oil meal, and alfalfa meal, 120 lbs. each Unicorn Dairy Ration and Schumacher Feed; 450 lbs. each beet pulp and mixed hay, 900 lbs. silage.

May: Same grain ration as April; 450 lbs. each beet pulp and mixed hay, 620 lbs. silage.

June: 20 lbs. daily of the following mixture: 300 lbs. bran, 200 lbs. each hominy, gluten feed, cottonseed meal, oil meal, and alfalfa meal, 100 lbs. each corn meal and ground oats, 600 lbs. Schumacher Feed; 20 lbs. beet pulp, green oats, peas, and clover.

July: 20 lbs. daily of the following mixture: 400 lbs. bran, 200 lbs. each hominy, gluten feed, cottonseed meal, and alfalfa meal, 100 lbs. each corn meal and oil meal, 250 lbs. ground oats, 300 lbs. each Unicorn Dairy Ration and Schumacher Feed; 15 lbs. beet pulp, green oats and mixed hay.

oats, 150 lbs. alfalfa meal; 15 lbs. beet pulp, 10 lbs. each silage and mixed hay, 30 lbs. carrots and turnips.

November: 22 lbs. daily of the following mixture: 300 lbs. each bran, Unicorn Dairy Ration, and Schumacher Feed, 100 lbs. each hominy, corn meal, and gluten feed, 200 lbs. ground oats, 150 lbs. each cottonseed meal, oil meal, and alfalfa meal; 15 lbs. each beet pulp and mixed hay, 20 lbs. silage, 30 lbs. carrots and turnips.

Sixteen cows closely related to Countess Prue have 20 records with an average fat production for a year of 642 lbs.

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The Boom in Guernseys

Prices show remarkable advances in three successive sales

The Guernsey is going ahead at last in England. Its progress may not be as speedy or as spectacular as some might wish, but it is advancing steadily and surely. The dryness of the season, while it has emphasised the disadvantages of other dairy breeds, has only served to demonstrate afresh the pre-eminence of the Guernsey as an economical dairy producer, and as a result there has arisen a greater demand for good animals of the breed than has been recorded for some time past. Private purchases have been frequent, and sellers report satisfactory prices as a rule. Public auctions have also taken place which have fully tested the actual market conditions, and it is not too much to say that, thanks to the efforts of the Council of the English Guernsey Cattle Society, the worth of the breed is better known and appreciated than ever before.

There was a strong demand for the animals forming the herd of Sir J. Remnant, Bt., M.P., which were sold by Messrs. Thimbleby and Shorland at Hare Hatch, Twyford, on August 9th. Several new breeders were buyers, and the large attendance and brisk bidding which characterised the sale were in contrast with other sales held just previously.

The aggregate amount realised for the forty-three animals sold was £4,644 3s (equivalent to £232,481.45 in 2020), and the average price of the females was £108 1s (equivalent to £5406.55 in 2020). and of the bulls £107 9s (equivalent to £5356.58 in 2020). Top price was 260gs. for Whiteside Topsy 3rd, an imported three-year-old cow which won first and reserve champion female as a two-year-old at Tunbridge Wells. She gave 6,177 lbs. of milk with her first calf, and was bought by Sir Edward Nicholl. Sir Mortimer Singer, who has recently joined the Guernsey Society, made several most promising purchases. Dene Treacle 2nd, which was narrowly beaten in her class at the Royal at Derby, realised 240 gs., and was taken by Sir W. Cain.

The following prices indicate the readiness of buyers to pay big figures for good Guernseys Donnington Jane-Sir Wm. Cain Dene Preel 2nd E. R. Debenham Sundial of Enham-The Duke of Grafton.



COWS CLASSIFIED EXCELLENT BETWEEN 1/11/20 AND 31/10/21

A total of 111 cows classified EX of which 71 were classified EX for the first time.

Three cows achieved a final score of 94, Blacknor Weston Duchess, Trewey Bruce Yorkie and Trewey Amir Sheila. Two cows have been classified EX 6 times, Trewey Freds Vinney and Cross bred cow Highway Mallard. A cow on her 10th claving, Beechgroves Kylie turned excellent with a score of 92.

Trewey led the way with 41 cows classified as Ex, followed by Treddiney and Highway Legacy with 10. Trewey Sheilas Bruce is the top sire with 14 cows followed by Tredinney Princes Lion King with 5.

HBN	Prefix/ Sire	Animal Name	Date of Birth	Date of Inspection	No of Calves	Final Score	Legs/ Feet	MAMM Score	Rump Score
452837	TREWEY Trewey Shielas Bruce	BRUCE JERRY 2 EX90	31/10/2012	21/06/2021	6	90	92	86	92
455363	TREDINNEY Tredinney Conquerors Candyman	CANDYMAN GILLIAN 2 EX90	14/06/2014	02/06/2021	4	90	88	90	87
455327	EDGEHILL Golden J Yogibear Garrett	GARRETT HOLLY 2 EX90	01/01/2015	26/03/2021	4	90	92	87	90
15128	ARTIS Dix Lee Grumpy Vampire	SR BONNY 2 EX90	26/11/2015	10/05/2021	3	90	90	88	90
456386	BRIDDLESFORD Rozelyn Geo Vincent - Et	VINCENTS DAFFODIL 2 EX90	09/04/2016	01/09/2021	3	90	90	89	87
448099	BEECHGROVES Thornton Hercules	KYLIE 3 EX92	24/08/2008	02/11/2020	10	92	93	93	89
458557	LOWER POLGEAR Lang Haven Prada Nico - Et	MULBERRY 3 EX90	09/09/2015	14/07/2021	4	90	92	88	90
456475	ARTIS Lang Haven Alstar Navajo	SUPREMA 3 EX93	04/09/2015	10/05/2021	4	93	92	92	93
455080	TREWEY Trewey Shielas Bruce	BRUCE ACE 4 EX90	01/10/2014	03/11/2020	4	90	88	90	91
455407	KIMCOTE Coulee Crest Grumpy Legend - Et	LEGEND FRAGRANT 4 EX93(2)	03/03/2015	12/04/2021	4	93	94	92	89
458583	TREDINNEY Lang Haven Prada Nico - Et	NICO ANOUSHKA 4 EX91	26/08/2015	02/06/2021	4	91	91	88	88
0000000 CB300	ARTIS	NR LILY 4 EX93(3)	14/08/2012	10/05/2021	7	93	93	91	93
455838	BICKFIELD Bickfield Novak Grandslam	GLORIA 5 EX91	21/08/2015	25/11/2020	4	91	89	92	92
458582	TREDINNEY Aber Jupiter	JUPITER GABRIELLE 5 EX90	16/08/2016	02/06/2021	3	90	89	91	91
451976	TREDINNICK Boskenna Junes Royal Oak	MANDY 5 EX90	20/10/2011	21/06/2021	7	90	92	85	93
453907	BURWOOD Hartland View Harebell Blue	MELONY 5 EX90	12/07/2013	27/09/2021	5	90	91	90	88
458590	TREDINNEY Tredinney Grumpys Echo	ECHO MAUD 6 EX90	04/01/2016	02/06/2021	3	90	91	87	88
455845	TREWEY Trewey Zoes Eric	ERIC LILAC 6 EX90	19/08/2015	03/11/2020	4	90	90	87	88
15129	ARTIS	LAURA 6 EX90	13/12/2015	10/05/2021	4	90	92	88	90
448443	TREWEY St.senara Jeans Oak	FREDS VINNEY 9 EX93(6)	14/10/2008	21/06/2021	9	93	93	91	93
455055	ARTIS Abiqua Acres Alstar V I P	AMAZON 10 EX93	03/09/2014	10/05/2021	5	93	91	94	93



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452836	TREWEY Trewey Shielas Bruce	BRUCE MANDY 10 EX90	24/10/2012	21/06/2021	6	90	91	90	92
458241	TREDINNEY Bourton Erics Harry	HARRYS LILIAN 10 EX93(3)	29/08/2015	23/09/2021	4	93	93	92	93
456713	TREWEY Lucky Cow Boy	LUCKY PENNY 10 EX90	11/09/2016	21/06/2021	3	90	90	90	87
458566	LOWER POLGEAR Lang Haven Prada Nico - Et	MAGNOLIA 10 EX90	22/11/2015	14/07/2021	4	90	92	87	94
457927	ARTHMOOR Arthmoor Victor	BRIMSTONE 11 EX90	09/08/2014	27/06/2021	4	90	93	85	90
453761	TREWEY Trewey Shielas Bruce	BRUCE CHERRY 11 EX91(2)	16/08/2013	21/06/2021	5	91	92	90	93
453892	TREWEY Flambeau Manor Yb Lynndell	LYNNDSELL EDNA 11 EX93(2)	15/09/2013	21/06/2021	5	93	93	91	94
454890	TREWEY Trewey Shielas Bruce	BRUCE CHERRY 12 EX92(2)	14/08/2014	21/06/2021	5	92	92	91	93
452712	TREWEY Trewey Shielas Bruce	BRUCE FREDS VINNEY 12 EX91	23/09/2012	21/06/2021	6	91	91	90	92
455027	TREWEY Coulee Crest Grumpy Legend - Et	LEGEND JEANY 12 EX90	24/09/2014	03/11/2020	4	90	90	88	91
453734	TREWEY Trewey Shielas Bruce	BRUCE ROSIE 13 EX91	01/08/2013	21/06/2021	5	91	90	91	91
453757	TREWEY Trewey Shielas Bruce	BRUCE YORKIE 13 EX94(3)	11/08/2013	21/06/2021	5	94	93	93	94
458921	TREDINNEY Tredinney Ivans Flo Rider	RIDER BUNTY 13 EX91	21/05/2017	23/09/2021	3	91	92	91	92
455385	TREDINNEY Tredinney Grumpys Echo	ECHO EXCELLANCE 14 EX92	28/01/2015	23/09/2021	5	92	92	91	92
454014	TREWEY Hartland View Harebell Blue	HB ROSIE 15 EX92	12/10/2013	21/06/2021	4	92	92	92	91
453332	TREWEY Trewey Loreleis Buzzard	BUZZARD ZELA 16 EX90	08/03/2013	03/11/2020	6	90	90	88	92
454896	TREWEY Golden J Ronald Grumpy	GRUMPY ROSIE 16 EX92(3)	19/08/2014	21/06/2021	5	92	91	91	93
454880	BRYMOR Rosewood Grandees Alstar	GRACEFUL 21 EX90	09/08/2014	26/08/2021	5	90	90	91	85
453962	TREWEY Tredinney Sonics Helium	HELIUM JUMBO 21 EX90	30/09/2013	21/06/2021	5	90	92	87	90
455191	TREWEY Trewey Shielas Bruce	BRUCE DAFFODIL 23 EX90	15/11/2014	21/06/2021	4	90	88	90	90
456175	TREWEY Aber Jupiter	JUPITER DAFFODIL 25 EX90	22/12/2015	21/06/2021	3	90	88	90	92
456720	TREWEY Trewey Junos Legend	LEGEND BERTIE 25 EX91	20/09/2016	21/06/2021	3	91	90	90	92
454957	TREWEY Coulee Crest Grumpy Legend - Et	LEGEND PLUM CRAZY 27 EX92(3)	27/08/2014	21/06/2021	5	92	92	91	94
451990	THORNTON Jens Gold Aaron Crunch	PAULINE 27 EX92(2)	02/11/2011	10/05/2021	8	92	93	90	90
454111	TREDINNEY Marodore Aarons Levi	LEVI CANDY 28 EX90	29/08/2013	02/06/2021	5	90	90	89	92



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455873	TREWEY Trewey Zoes Eric	ERIC PLUM CRAZY 29 EX92	05/09/2015	21/06/2021	4	92	93	92	91
452348	TREWEY Les Jaonnets Caras Amir	AMIR SHIELA 31 EX94(4)	15/04/2012	21/06/2021	6	94	94	93	94
455079	TREWEY Trewey Shielas Bruce	BRUCE POPPY 31 EX91(2)	07/10/2014	21/06/2021	5	91	92	90	88
456562	WOODLANDS Bourton Laredos Fernando	FERNANDO NATALIE 35 EX91	23/07/2016	01/07/2021	3	91	93	90	90
456719	TREWEY Trewey Junos Legend	LEGEND SHIELA 38 EX91	17/09/2016	21/06/2021	3	91	91	90	92
455840	BICKFIELD Bickfield Boy Wonder	LILIAN 41 EX90	25/08/2015	25/11/2020	4	90	88	92	85
456534	BICKFIELD Boskenna Junes Royal Oak	OLIVIA 41 EX90	19/07/2016	25/11/2020	3	90	90	88	93
456606	SKEEL Rozelyn Geo Vincent - Et	CAMOMILE 42 EX91	03/06/2016	01/09/2021	3	91	93	90	89
457930	ARTHMOOR Tredinney Princes Lion King	ROSETTA 50 EX90	20/09/2014	27/06/2021	4	90	92	88	90
451805	TREWEY Tredinney Yogis Prince	PRINCE POLLY 52 EX90	07/09/2011	21/06/2021	7	90	91	88	89
456845	BICKFIELD Bickfield Novak Grandslam	VENESSA 58 EX91	07/11/2016	25/08/2021	3	91	91	91	92
453027	BICKFIELD Tredinney Yogis Andante	LINDA 68 EX91	02/02/2013	14/07/2021	4	91	90	88	90
456470	ARTIS Abiqua Acres Alstar V I P	EMMA 86 EX92(2)	10/02/2015	10/05/2021	5	92	92	92	91
452652	TREWEY Trewey Shielas Bruce	BRUCE JUNO 114 EX91	10/09/2012	21/06/2021	5	91	92	90	92
454876	TREWEY Trewey Shielas Bruce	BRUCE JUNO 122 EX91(2)	26/07/2014	21/06/2021	5	91	90	92	91
455025	TREWEY Trewey Shielas Bruce	BRUCE JUNO 125 EX91(2)	14/09/2014	21/06/2021	4	91	91	90	90
455439	TREWEY Trewey Shielas Bruce	BRUCE JUNO 126 EX90	24/03/2015	21/06/2021	4	90	92	87	92
455624	TREWEY Golden J Ronald Grumpy	GRUMPY JUNO 127 EX90	17/06/2015	21/06/2021	4	90	91	88	91
455930	TREWEY Trewey Zoes Eric	ERIC JUNO 130 EX90	15/09/2015	21/06/2021	4	90	89	90	90
455139	KELSMOR Sniders Grumpy Assault - Et	MEADOWSWEET 584 EX90	27/09/2014	21/06/2021	5	90	91	88	90
456865	KELSMOR Tredinney Grumpys Echo	MEADOWSWEET 609 EX90	10/07/2016	21/06/2021	3	90	90	90	90
452629	BLACKNOR CRACKER Eby Manor Weston	WESTON DUCHESS EX94(2)	01/09/2012	15/04/2021	6	94	92	95	93
455451	HIGHWAY LEGACY Tredinney Princes Lion King	AURORA EX92	11/11/2014	09/12/2020	4	92	90	93	88
452876	SWELL WOLD Blacknor Cracker Best Bull - P	BUTTERSCOTCH EX92(2)	19/10/2012	10/05/2021	7	92	92	90	93
452953	BEECHGROVES Beechgroves Eldorado	CASANDRA EX90	05/12/2012	02/11/2020	7	90	88	92	85



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453179	GREENSFIELD Jens Gold Aaron Crunch	CRUNCH GLADE EX90	02/03/2012	23/03/2021	6	90	92	85	92
456054	LOWER KEIGWIN Jens Gold Aaron Crunch	CRUNCH ZELDA EX90	16/10/2015	14/07/2021	4	90	89	91	85
459310	TREDINNEY Tredinney Grumpys Echo	ECHO ALICIA EX92(2)	16/05/2017	23/09/2021	3	92	91	92	91
453479	BEECHGROVES Beechgroves Eldorado	ELDORADO ELSIE EX92(2)	27/04/2013	21/07/2021	6	92	93	90	90
15231	BICKFIELD Bourton Laredos Fernando	FERNANDO DOLLY EX90	15/07/2016	25/11/2020	3	90	88	90	91
453403	TREDINNICK Lang Haven Grumpy Novak	HARRIET EX93(2)	04/04/2013	21/06/2021	5	93	93	93	93
451765	AMPNEY Thornton Hercules	HERCULES GALAXY EX90	25/12/2009	11/05/2021	8	90	90	90	90
454505	FAIRFIELD Trewarnevas Ivor	IVOR ASH EX91	04/02/2014	25/11/2020	5	91	92	91	90
455869	GREENSFIELD Springhill Jackpot	JACKPOT GLADIOLI EX90	26/03/2015	29/10/2021	4	90	88	90	91
15017	HIGHWAY LEGACY Les Jaonnets Caras Conqueror	JOSEPHINE EX91(2)	25/08/2013	09/12/2020	6	91	89	92	91
451934	TREWEY Trewey Loreleis Buzzard	LB ANGELICA EX90	08/10/2011	21/06/2021	7	90	92	87	92
454676	HIGHWAY LEGACY Beechgroves Ezra	LEGGINGTON EX91	02/05/2013	09/12/2020	5	91	91	90	91
0000000 CB400	LOWER KEIGWIN Marodore Aarons Levi	LEVI FERGIE EX90	04/01/2016	02/06/2021	4	90	90	91	88
451820	HINTON Abiqua Acres C Marksman	MARKSMAN MARGARET EX91	30/08/2011	14/07/2021	8	91	92	90	90
15018	HIGHWAY LEGACY Tredinney Princes Lion King	MOONSHINE EX90	01/04/2014	27/05/2021	6	90	90	90	85
456196	ST BRIDES VALLEY Lang Haven Prada Nico - Et	NICO RAINBOW EX90	06/01/2016	08/04/2021	3	90	91	87	89
455473	TREDINNICK Trewey Surprise	OLYMPIA EX90	09/04/2015	21/06/2021	4	90	91	89	92
455267	WILTOWN Abiqua Acres Alstar V I P	PATIENCE EX90	09/11/2014	16/08/2021	5	90	90	88	93
455568	AVALON Lindrian Pinto - Et	PINTO LINDA EX91	20/05/2015	14/07/2021	3	91	90	87	94
456229	LUCKY COW Tredinney Yogis Prince	PRINCESS ANNABELLE EX92(2)	14/02/2016	18/06/2021	4	92	88	92	91
15051	HIGHWAY LEGACY Tredinney Princes Lion King	RAVE EX91(2)	23/10/2014	09/12/2020	5	91	90	89	95
0000000 CB411	ARTIS	ROSEBUD EX90	06/11/2016	10/05/2021	3	90	88	90	90
454603	BEECHGROVES Beechgroves Samuel	SAMUEL JANE EX90	24/03/2014	21/07/2021	6	90	90	86	89
0000000 CB361	HIGHWAY LEGACY Tredinney Princes Lion King	SIMONE EX90	24/09/2014	09/12/2020	5	90	90	90	89
14996	HIGHWAY LEGACY Lang Haven Tiller Nash	TROLL EX91(2)	27/08/2012	27/05/2021	7	91	92	90	85



THIS TABLE SHOWS COWS THAT HAVE BEEN CLASSIFIED EXCELLENT PREVIOUSLY ALONGSIDE THEIR 2021 SCORES.									
HBN	Prefix/ Sire	Animal Name	Date of Birth	Date of Inspection	No of Calves	Final Score	Leg Score	Mammary Score	Rump Score
452094	BLACKNOR CRACKER Greensfield Stinky Iceberg	ICEBERG DIANA EX95(4)	01/12/2011	29/10/2021	7	95	93	94	96
0000000CB351	HIGHWAY LEGACY	MALLARD EX94(6)	17/05/2010	09/12/2020	9	94	93	94	95
452650	TREWEY Sniders Option Aaron	AARON EDNA 9 EX93(3)	03/09/2012	21/06/2021	5	93	94	93	91
453535	TREWEY Flambeau Manor Yb Lynndell	LYNNDELL PLUM CRAZY 22 EX92(3)	31/05/2013	03/11/2020	6	92	92	92	93
454012	TREWEY Flambeau Manor Yb Lynndell	LYNNDELL BERTIE 24 EX92(3)	07/10/2013	21/06/2021	5	92	91	92	92
453391	TREWEY Flambeau Manor Yb Lynndell	LYNNDELL JACKIE 53 EX91(2)	03/04/2013	03/11/2020	5	91	90	91	91
455241	BRYMOR Dairyman Mint Phonze	WESTWARD 50 EX92(2)	09/12/2014	03/11/2020	4	91	92	90	91
450449	TREWEY Rutter Bros Options Lamar	MANDY 9 EX92(3)	03/06/2010	03/11/2020	8	91	88	89	92
0000000CB348	HIGHWAY LEGACY	ESPINOSA EX91(4)	14/03/2010	09/12/2020	9	91	91	90	90
452603	TREWEY Treway Junos Hearty Surprise	HEARTY JUNO 113 EX90(2)	23/08/2012	03/11/2020	4	90	88	89	91
449014	TREWEY Treway Surprise	ROSIE 7 EX91(3)	14/04/2009	03/11/2020	7	90	90	89	92
447288	TREWEY Treway Surprise	JUNO 81 EX91(5)	10/12/2007	03/11/2020	9	90	90	89	88
454630	HIGHWAY LEGACY Tredinney Yogis Andante	HAWAII EX91(3)	01/10/2013	09/12/2020	5	90	89	90	90
452521	BOURTON Pine Ridge Double L	FIONA 13 EX90(2)	03/07/2012	14/07/2021	6	90	88	93	85
453803	TREDINNEY Tredinney Yogis Prince	PRINCE MARSHMALLOW 3 EX91(3)	02/08/2012	23/09/2021	7	90	88	90	90

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Jules and Ed who were married this year.

Jules is herd manager at The Bickfield Herd in Somerset.

Good luck to them both for their future happiness!



BICKFIELD INVESTS IN SUSTAINABLE TECHNOLOGY

You may have seen flicking through newspapers and out and about Phil Durbin pictured with his cows as part of a Lloyds marketing campaign. This is because Bickfield Farm is set to double productivity after investing in sustainable technology, using £785,000 of funding from Lloyds Banking.

Located in the heart of Chew Valley, the third-generation farm produces milk exclusively for The Estate Dairy.

Funding will be used to implement a new milking parlour to improve production and modernise the milking process. The state-of-the-art technology will increase the farm’s milking capacity while reducing the overall running time, allowing 50 per cent more cows to be milked during any given period.

Investing in the new milking parlour supports the farm’s long-term sustainability commitment. The milking process currently accounts for 60 per cent of the farm’s total electricity usage, and by reducing the running time, the business will achieve a 30 per cent energy saving. What’s more, heat generated from the new technology will pass through a heat exchange system and be used to pre-heat



water to support the farm’s cleaning process.

The finance package comes via Lloyds Bank’s Clean Growth Finance Initiative, which provides discounted funding to help businesses transition to a lower carbon, more sustainable future.

Philip Durbin, who runs the farm with his father Maurice, said: “In recent years, there has been a growing demand for high-quality local dairy produce from across the region. Investing in our new milking parlour will allow us to continue to deliver the very best produce more efficiently.

“Becoming more sustainable remains a key priority for the farm and we’re constantly thinking of ways to reduce waste and become energy-efficient. From installing LED lighting to powering the parlour through an on-site solar array

during sunny days, we’re committed to lowering our environmental impact.”

Philip’s grandparents moved to Bickfield in August 1930 and his father took over the farm’s operations in 1975. Since then, the farm has increased its herd to more than 330 cows across 185 hectares. The new milking parlour is expected to be operational by Mid April – early May.

Phil writes “The skeleton of the building is nearing completion now, with the roof being fitted in early January. The next schedule of works can then begin, digging out and forming the milking parlour pit, drains, slurry channels, water pipes, electric cables the list seems to be endless!

The gates, gateposts, feed rails, water troughs and fittings are due for delivery any day soon. There’s plenty for the builders to do!”.

Merry Christmas from Bickfield Guernsey’s!



TREWEY GUERNSEYS

Trewey Farm, Zennor, St Ives, Cornwall, TR26 3DA

Owned By The Mann Family

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Winner or reserve of six trophies at the EGCS AGM

Herd classification EX 43 VG 48

TWO YOUNG BULLS FOR SALE

Both sired by Trewey Juno's Arthur

Trewey Jester GMI 290, DOB 20.02.21

out of Trewey Bruce Jerry 2 EX90,
currently the highest PLI and GMI cow
in the country and milking in her 6th lactation.

Trewey Yorkie GMI 172, DOB 08.04.21

out of Trewey Bruce Yorkie 13 EX94 3E,
currently milking in her 5th lactation.

COWS ALSO FOR SALE

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EGCS EMBRYO RULES

as of 17th November 2021

A calf born by embryo transfer will carry the suffix ET and may be registered in the normal way and with the prefix of the herd in which it is born subject to the following conditions:

- i. The collection and transfer of embryos shall be carried out in the United Kingdom by a qualified operator recognised by the Society in accordance with the bovine embryo (collection, production and transfer) regulations 1995.
- ii. Upon each collection of embryos an embryo collection certificate (form ET1) must be fully completed in triplicate by the collection team. One copy of the form is to be retained by the collection team, one to be retained by the owner of the donor female and one copy is to be submitted to the Society.
- iii. If the service bull(s) is/are not already DNA typed, an application to carry out DNA testing by tissue or hair sample must be made to the Society at the time of embryo collection.
- iv. If the donor female is not already DNA typed, an application to carry out DNA testing by tissue or hair sample must be made to the Society at the time of embryo collection.
- v. If any embryo is sold or transferred to another ownership by the owner of the donor female, either unfrozen, frozen, or in a recipient female even if the recipient female remains the property of the breeder, a Form ET2 must be completed giving the new owner's details and submitted to the Society.
- vi. If an embryo is implanted in a recipient female a form ET2 detailing the official ear tag identity of the recipient and the date of implantation must be completed and submitted to the Society.
- vii. If at one and the same time more than one embryo is transferred to a recipient those embryos must be from one and the same collection.
- viii. The unique ET1 form number (not the collection reference number) must be quoted at the time of registration.
- ix. In the case of embryos imported into the UK the breeder must submit the following: A copy of the embryo collection certificate from country of origin, notification of the number of embryos from that collection that were imported, three generation pedigrees for both sire and dam and the microsatellite DNA profile for both sire and dam.
- x. The registration of a calf born as result of embryo manipulation (split embryo) will be recorded as ETM. It is the responsibility of the owner/breeder to inform the society of the details at the time of registration.
- xi. All ET calves born after 1 January 2011 must be DNA parentage checked before they are accepted for registration. The ET calf needs to be registered either by Internet or Telephone and will be held on suspense until the parentage check is completed. If the ET calf cannot be parentage checked, it cannot be registered.
- xii. From 1 December 2011, all ET paperwork must be received in the office before an ET calf can be registered.
- xiii. Every calf resulting from an embryo transfer will automatically have the letters "ET" appended to its name.
Note: Where two embryos are transferred to one recipient and the resultant calves are of unlike sex, the female will in 96% of cases, be a freemartin.

IMPORTANT UPDATES

Cost of Semen

During the July and November Council meeting the topic of semen cost was discussed extensively. Following the collection of semen expenses increasing, the price of EGCS semen will be going up in the New Year. Conventional semen will rise to £9 and sexed semen will increase to £25 a straw plus any handling costs if applicable and VAT.

Certificates

The EGCS is charged by HUK £4.68 per registration and £1.03 per hard copy certificate. The committee discussed this and voted at the November Council meeting to pass on the cost of hard copy certificates to members. Please note if you would still like hard copies you have two options, you can either continue as you are or obtain them online to print at home.

Any questions regarding any of the changes do please get in touch on either 07947 355507 or drop an email to office@guernseycattle.com



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