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Dear Members

Welcome to the December newsletter

Another year has passed and we still live under the uncertainty of COVID-19 and the repercussions of the ongoing variants. I hope you and your loved ones are all keeping safe and well.

As Tom has mentioned in his Chairman's report, it was great to catch up with so many members at the AGM in October, and plans are already underway for next year's AGM. More details will be available once I can confirm the arrangements and the date in October.

As we reach the shortest day of the year and we all feel like hunkering down to ride out the long nights of winter, a warming beef hotpot recipe might be just the thing to provide some 'hygge'. Longhorn beef preferred but not obligatory!

Finally may I wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy 2022. I look forward to seeing you next year.

Debbie

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FROM THE CHAIR



Welcome everyone to the final Newsletter of 2021!

In November we held the first council meeting since the AGM. I was very honoured that the Trustees voted me back in as Chairman of the Society for another year, it's a role I take great pride in and I will do my best to lead the Council over the next 12 months.

My first role as Chairman was to welcome back Bertie Facon and Pat Stanley as returning members of council and to welcome Thea Woollatt as our newest Trustee. It's always great to get new members onto council and I'm looking forward to working with all the Trustees over the next year.

We had busy agenda for the first meeting of the new council with lots to discuss and agree for the programme of 2022 events and activities. Although it's impossible to predict how the pandemic will impact next year's show season, following the disappointment of a greatly reduced show season for the past two years we are keen to come back with a bang in 2022! We would like to encourage as many members as possible to bring cattle out to the shows and showcase our fantastic breed. To help members with this we have reinstated the showing support grant. We have however changed the eligibility of the grant to focus the support on members who are just starting out on their showing journey. Debbie has provided further details in the newsletter.

We also welcomed Chrissie Long from Country Girl Media to the last council meeting to discuss the ongoing promotion work for the Society. We are now building a great catalogue of promotional content including a wide selection of professional photographs and case studies showcasing the Longhorn breed in several different farming systems. These will be used in a re-vamped website which will be launched later in the year and will also provide promotional content for social media. We also had a great discussion about how we communicate with both our current and prospective members and promote the breed to the industry through our quarterly newsletter and bi-annual journals. We discussed lots of different ways that we can make these more engaging, up-to-date and relevant. We hope to confirm our plans for this to members shortly.

I'm sure those members who attended the AGM back in October will agree with me that it was great to catch-up with friends from the Society, many of whom I had not seen for two years. It was a great weekend with an interesting visit, good discussion at the AGM and great entertainment in the evening. Thank you to everyone involved in organising and hosting the event and congratulations to those who won awards.

I hope you all have a great Christmas.

Tom Mills - Chairman



COUNCIL MEMBERS

The following Council members represent you:

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Please contact any one of them if you have any queries regarding Society or Council matters.

COUNCIL CORNER

Council met on 23 November and discussed:

- Potential locations for the 2022 AGM
- The Society sales for 2022
- The selection of judges for shows holding Longhorn classes in 2022
- The reinstatement of an exhibitor support grant
- Having a promotional stand at Beef Expo 2022 at Darlington on 28 May
- The Society's print and social media marketing strategies.

The date of the next meeting is Thursday 3 February 2022, via Zoom

Got something on your mind? If you have anything you wish to raise with the Trustees please let the office know by Monday 25 January. Thank you

SOCIETY SALES



Sale dates are subject to change. DEFRA animal gathering regulations and Government advice regarding COVID-19 regulations will apply. Physical sales may be substituted for online timed sales. Entry forms will be circulated well in advance. Please check with the individual auctioneer for up to date information.

Society Sales 2022

Catalogues available direct from the Auctioneer, or on the Society website when they are finalised

DATE TO BE CONFIRMED

Online Timed Sale

Auctioneers: Harrison & Hetherington 01228 406230

<https://handh.auctionmarts.com/help>

Saturday 14 May 2022

Society Spring Show & Sale

The Heath Meadow, Worcester, WR4 0SQ

Auctioneers: McCartneys 01905 769770

Closing date 8 April 2022

SOCIETY SHOWS

The show season will hopefully return to some level of normality next year. Unfortunately there are some shows that won't run, but we have also been contacted by other shows wishing to hold Longhorn classes if there are sufficient entries. An up to date list will be on the website in the new year.

The Midland and Northern regional groups are hoping to pool their resources to hold a showing workshop in 2022, more info when plans are in place.

The National Show is at Suffolk Show on 31 May - 1 June. It's in a four year TB test area with excellent facilities so please consider entering - don't be daunted by the title 'National Show', all are welcome!

The Trustees have agreed to reinstate an Exhibitor Support Grant. A payment of £10 per entry per day (cow and calf is one entry) up to a maximum of four entries per exhibitor will be available for any show with Longhorn classes using a judge from the Longhorn judges' panel. Any member who is in either their first or second year of showing (the years do not have to be consecutive) is eligible. Please contact the office for more info.



IMPORT AND EXPORT REGULATIONS

The following import and export arrangements will apply from 1 January 2022

Imports and exports (reciprocal arrangement)

Export certificates

All animals sold for export from the United Kingdom require an exportation certificate duly certified by the Society. Fees chargeable for exportation certificates shall be as agreed by the Council.

Breed requirements in respect of imported genetics

It is important for members importing genetics to arrange with vendors that all documentation required by The Longhorn Cattle Society in the UK is provided, thus allowing the acceptance of imported animals into the UK herd book.

It is also essential the vendor in the country of origin provides their domestic registration authority (if applicable) with details of genetics being sold for export. Please note the responsibility for ensuring this action is taken must lie with the breeder purchasing the genetics.

The Longhorn Cattle Society will enter into the main Herdbook, animals of the same breed, that are eligible for entry under the Society's breed criteria, without discrimination on account of their country of origin.

Listed below are the documents The Longhorn Cattle Society in the UK requires:

- (i) Five generation extended pedigree. In the case of embryos, both sire and donor dam must be provided.
- (ii) Official export certificate issued by the recognised registration authority providing full details of both breeder/vendor and purchaser.
- (iii) Should any female be in-calf, the same information as points (i) and (ii) above will be required in respect of the service sire/s.
- (iv) In the case of all genetic imports including live animals, service sires, semen and sires and donor dams of embryos, a single nucleotide polymorphisms (54K SNP) DNA profile must be provided (showing parentage verification.)
- (v) In the case of embryos, a certificate/form issued by the embryo company confirming the identity and details of the sires used and donor dams.
- (vi) An initial entry/export fee as decreed by Council is to be paid per animal, including service sire/donor dam/semen

ADVERTISING WITH THE SOCIETY



WEBSITE & SOCIAL MEDIA ADVERTS

From 1 April ,the charge for adverts in the 'For Sale & Wanted' section of the web-site are as follows:

£10 plus VAT per animal with no picture.

£25 plus VAT per animal with a picture, the listing will also be posted on Facebook and Twitter for added exposure.

£30 plus VAT for herds or groups of animals with no picture.

£50 plus VAT for herds or groups of animals with a picture, the listing will also be posted on Facebook and Twitter for added exposure.

BEEF OUTLETS PAGE ON THE WEBSITE

The Society website had a 'Beef Outlets' page where members and retail outlets selling Longhorn beef are listed. Are you on that page? If so could you please check your entry to make sure it's all up to date and has the correct details for you. If you are not listed and would like to be please email the office and you'll be added in. There's an interactive map so visitors can search for Longhorn beef suppliers in their area.

Help the Society to help you promote your Longhorn beef!

NEW MEMBERS



We should like to welcome the following new members to the Society:

Mr A Guise, Gloucestershire

Mrs H Butler, Staffordshire

Mrs M Dick, Shropshire

Mr T Brimble, Gloucestershire

Mr E Fraser, Inverness

Mr D Eames, Lancashire





GRANT SCHEME AVAILABLE

Do you need a new crush or handling facilities? Would you like to make things easier and safer with a security camera?

Round one of two categories of Government grants have opened and will close in January.

A minimum grant of £2000 up to £25,000 for the Farming Equipment Technology Fund, and up to £500,000 for the Farming Transformation Fund.

Go to the RPA webpage for more information and how to apply.

TB COMPENSATION

Whilst the eradication of Bovine TB should be at the forefront of APHA's minds, it's inexorable creep across the country means more and more members are being affected.

A quick look at the difference between the compensation you will receive for a registered pedigree animal and a non pedigree animal might make registration of all your calves a consideration. Retrospective pedigree registration of TB reactors is not permitted and APHA will usually check the online database when a reactor is confirmed to check it's status.

The table for compensation is updated each month on the DEFRA website and is applicable for all breeds and is not breed specific to Longhorns. The table is applicable to England only - Wales and Northern Ireland are on individual valuation and Scotland is TB free.

Further detailed explanation and the most recent compensation table is available on the DEFRA website, and the website www.tbhub.co.uk also has current information.

For information on TB breakdowns in your area go to the interactive map at www.ibtb.co.uk

NADIS DISEASE & HEALTH INFORMATION

The NADIS (National Animal Disease Information Service) website is a one stop shop for detailed information on animal health and welfare, diseases and parasite forecasts.

Constantly updated with current health topics it is a comprehensive resource for all livestock keepers

Go to <https://www.nadis.org.uk/>



GENUS DISTRIBUTION FEES

Genus have updated their distribution fees, which the Society pass on at cost. From 1 August 2021:

To a Genus AI technician, £4.20 per straw with a minimum transaction charge of £42 and a maximum charge of £630

To an on-farm (DIY) flask, £4.20 per straw with a minimum transaction charge of £63 and maximum charge of £630

OVERSEAS OPPORTUNITIES FOR LONGHORN GENETICS

The Society has been involved in the very early stages of a UK submission to China to import UK breed genetics to that vast country. The current beef industry has followed the US model of feedlots for a number of years, and this method of beef production is being seen as unsustainable in terms of the climate, and the Chinese wish to make more use of the vast areas of grassland they have. Many areas in China have similar climate to the UK. There is a lot of work going on via DEFRA to get UK genetics into the Chinese market. This is a very long term project which may not come to fruition for a few years, but could be a real opportunity for members to export semen and embryos. The need for genetics is vast and with all the UK beef breeds participating there would be plenty of business to go round.

In addition there is interest from Australia for fresh genetics to prevent inbreeding of the stock already there.

If you are interested in exploring this matter further, and wish to learn more about the commercial opportunities of taking semen and embryos from your cattle for both domestic and export purposes, please get in touch. If there is sufficient interest the Society will organise a seminar with industry professionals.



LATE REGISTRATIONS - RULE CHANGE

The Society receives a number of applications to register females over 12 months old each year; in many cases they are heifers who were overlooked for registration when they were younger and only when they've calved and their offspring need registering is the oversight spotted!

The integrity of the Herdbook is the primary concern of the Trustees and ensuring the accuracy of all animals being registered is paramount. First-calved females are usually over three years old, and it isn't compulsory to put the sire on the passport when registering animals with BCMS, so it's easy to forget or misremember who the sire of the heifer is when you apply to the Society for late registration.

In order to ensure the Society maintains an accurate Herdbook, the Trustees have agreed the following rule amendment, which started on 1st September 2021.

All females over 12 months old at the date of registration will be subject to full DNA parent verification, at cost to the breeder unless:

*The animal was already birth notified before they were 12 months old or
The passport shows the eartag numbers of both the sire and the dam*

Remember that birth notification is **free of charge** for both males and females, whereas parent verification could cost you over £80, plus the late registration fee of £120

FEMALE REGISTRATION & PARENT VERIFICATION

The purity of the Longhorn breed is one of its major selling points and to verify this each 100th female registered is required to be parent verified. The office will contact the breeder as soon as possible after the registration has been received to ask for hair samples from the calf, and her sire and dam if their DNA samples are not already held on file by the Society. Should the sire not be on the holding then the current owner will be asked to provide a sample if one is not already held. DNA samples of all AI bulls are already held and if the bull is dead then a sibling or close relative may be sought.

Trustees also reserve the right to parent verify other females at random.



BULL REGISTRATION & PARENT VERIFICATION

All bulls being fully registered with the Society require full parentage testing. This complements the existing parentage testing regime of each 100th heifer registered.

As a result of this testing a small number of bulls have not been able to be sire verified as they were not by the sire the breeder thought they were by, and the true sire could not be identified. This has resulted in the bulls not being able to be used for pedigree breeding.

Please consider sending hair samples of bulls you may wish to register to the Society in advance (along with the sire and dam), so the parentage can be verified before the registration form is sent in. If the bull is then registered the costs of the parent verification will be absorbed in the cost of the registration. If hair samples are submitted in advance but the bull is subsequently not registered then the member will be charged for the testing at cost, (currently £23 plus VAT per hair sample and parentage test).

The Society has been collecting DNA from bulls being registered since 2012 (around registration number 23000/) and it is hoped that most of these hair samples can be used to prove the sire, but the Society has moved from Microsatellite testing to 'SNPS' testing which requires a more robust sample. This may mean that along with dam hair samples, repeat bull hair samples may be required.

Contact the office or download an updated registration form from the website (go into Join Us and then Forms) This gives instructions of how to take the hair samples. Contact the office if you require sample bags - potentially three bags per registration - one for the bull being registered, one for his sire and one for his dam

Also on the Forms page is the minimum weight for age chart on the next page so you can easily calculate what your bull needs to weigh at any given age in order to meet the minimum weight requirements for registration.



BULL REGISTRATION MINIMUM WEIGHTS

Bulls that are proposed to be kept for breeding must be inspected by a practising veterinary surgeon prior to registration and a registration form completed. Application for registration should reach the Society office when the animal is between 365 and 800 days of age, or if the bull has reached the minimum weight of 431kg before it is 365 days old then registration may be applied for at that time. It must be inspected by a vet by 800 days of age and must have reached a minimum adjusted weight of 431 kg at 400 days, with 1kg per day adjustment for bulls over 400 days up to 631 kg at 600 days and 0.5kg per day adjustment for bulls between 600 and 800 days of age up to 731kg at 800 days. Applications must be made within one month of the bull being weighed and inspected by the vet. All bulls must adhere to the breed standards

Minimum weight for age chart

Days old	Min Weight kg	Days old	Min Weight kg	Days Old	Min Weight kg	Days Old	Min Weight kg
<365 days	431						
365	396	485	516	605	633.5	725	693.5
370	401	490	521	610	636	730	696
375	406	495	526	615	638.5	735	698.5
380	411	500	531	620	641	740	701
385	416	505	536	625	643.5	745	703.5
390	421	510	541	630	646	750	706
395	426	515	546	635	648.5	755	708.5
400	431	520	551	640	651	760	711
405	436	525	556	645	653.5	765	713.5
410	441	530	561	650	656	770	716
415	446	535	566	655	658.5	775	718.5
420	451	540	571	660	661	780	721
425	456	545	576	665	663.5	785	723.5
430	461	550	581	670	666	790	726
435	466	555	586	675	668.5	795	728.5
440	471	560	591	680	671	800	731
445	476	565	596	685	673.5		
450	481	570	601	690	676		
455	486	575	606	695	678.5		
460	491	580	611	700	681		
465	496	585	616	705	683.5		
470	501	590	621	710	686		
475	506	595	626	715	688.5		
480	511	600	631	720	691		

SOCIETY AGM WEEKEND



Around 60 members, friends and guests came along to the Society's AGM weekend herd visit to Mike Winterton's Wanlip herd. We saw two batches of cows with calves at foot and then the bulling heifers before returning to the farm to have lunch of Longhorn beef and burgers.

The Winterton family have owned Willows Farm for three generations, starting with Mike's grandfather and then added to by Mike's father and then Mike himself. Bounded by the River Wreake and the River Soar the land was used for gravel extraction up until the 1950's and has since been reinstated to pasture, with hedges and coppices also planted. Much of the land is prone to flooding and this winter has been particularly trying. Many of the old gravel pits are now ponds and lakes which attract wildlife including otters, and environmental initiatives have encouraged barn owls and other apex predators.

The Wanlip herd of Longhorns was established in 2003 and is currently around 30 cows, with Mike wanting to build the herd to around 40 cows. All steers and some heifers are finished on the farm for supply to Roberts Butchers in nearby Mountsorrel which was bought by Mike in 2018.

Mike and his family own a number of other enterprises as well as the farm including Wanlip Sand & Gravel which also includes a green waste recycling operation, George Walker Ltd (timber merchants) in Syston, Belvoir Sawmill in Knipton and a carp fishing lake run by a syndicate. Mike is also a director of Melton Mowbray Market.

It was great to see so many members again, including some new members who hadn't had the opportunity to meet other breeders until now

At the evening meal on Saturday our after-dinner speaker was Alastair Sneddon from Bagshaws Auctioneers who had us all crying with laughter as he recalled tales from his time working as a land agent and auctioneer.



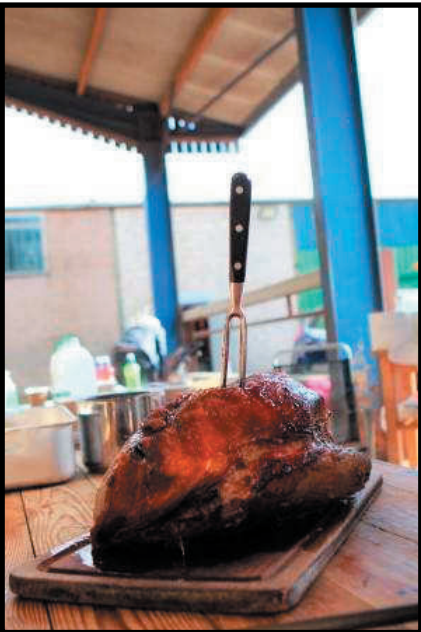
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LONGHORN AGM AWARDS

After the formal AGM business the awards for the year were presented by President Nicky Lockett. Unfortunately Stephen Horrocks and Jess Marshall were unable to attend so the awards they won was presented to them at the Northern Longhorn Breeders' Group AGM on 30 October.

Bull of the Year for the Maydencroft Award

- 1st Gentons Usher ET, Mr B Facon
- 2nd Southfield Panther, Mr & Mrs D&A Blockley
- =3rd Gupworthy Thruyton, Mrs J Grant
- =3rd Southfield Uproar, Mr H Blockley
- =3rd Slough Utah, Mr & Mrs D Preece

Cow of the Year for the Leebarn Trophy

- 1st Gale Farm Rona, SD Horrocks & Son
- =2nd Melbourne Park Fizz, Mr & Mrs B&T Stanley
- =2nd Lower Blacup Patricia, Mr B Wragg
- 3rd Fishwick Superstar, J Close & Son Ltd

Senior Heifer of the Year for the Lesley Hutton Award

- 1st Gale Farm Tanera, SD Horrocks & Son
- 2nd Herbertsherd Honey, Master B Stanley
- 3rd Gale Farm Tonga, SD Horrocks & Son

Junior Heifer of the Year for the Tetford Trophy

- 1st Gale Farm Uist, SD Horrocks & Son
- 2nd Gentons Ultra, Mr B Facon
- 3rd Carreg Utopia, Mr & Mrs B&M Llewellyn

Best Young Handler for the Frank Sutton Award

- 1st Rhianydd Davies
- 2nd William Edwards
- 3rd Jess Marshall



SOCIETY AGM WEEKEND

Best Newcomer for the Paul Lockett Trophy

1st Jane Mycock

2nd Jane Grant

Ambassadors Award for the Carreg Trophy

Mr SD Horrocks & Miss Jess Marshall



Jane Mycock, winner of the Paul Lockett Trophy, with Nicky Lockett



Jess Marshall and Stephen Horrocks, joint winners of the Ambassador's Award with Nicky Lockett

WINTER FAIRS



Thea Woollatt and the Saxby family took Longhorns to the English Winter Fair at Stafford in November and there were enough entries to have our own classes. In first and third were steers from the Saxbys, with Thea's heifer standing second. In the sale, the Saxby's steers, both 21 months old and weighing 665kg and 635kg respectively, made 270ppkg and 276kkgp.

The Saxbys also took steers to Holmfirth Market Xmas Show & Sale and had a first and a third in the Native class, with both animals selling to Albion Farm Shop for 318ppkg and 278ppkg.



SLOW COOKED SPICED BEEF PIE RECIPE

Slow-cooked spiced beef pie, by Rukmini Iyer.

This is such a gorgeous winter one-pot dish. Don't be alarmed by the long cooking time: the oven does the work, and this slow-cooked beef pie will look after itself with just a couple of short interventions from you. The amount of time you'll spend in the kitchen is minimal, which is exactly what you want when you've got friends over for drinks and dinner to celebrate the run-up to Christmas – and it really does look spectacular when it comes bubbling out of the oven.

Slow-cooked spiced beef pie

Prep **15 min**, Cook **3 hr 5 min**, Serves **4-6**

For the filling

2 onions , thinly sliced	2 inches ginger , grated
4 cloves garlic , grated	800g beef stewing steak (Longhorn if possible!)
3 heaped tsp ras el hanout	1 tsp sea salt flakes
2 tbsp olive oil	400ml beef stock
1 x 400g tin tomatoes	

For the topping

1kg maris piper potatoes , very thinly sliced	80g butter , melted
1 tsp sea salt flakes	100g cheddar , grated
Freshly ground black pepper	

To prepare, preheat the oven to 220C (200C fan)/425F/gas 7. Tip the onions, ginger, garlic, beef, ras el hanout, sea salt and olive oil into a wide-based casserole dish or roasting tin, and mix well. Rearrange the beef pieces so they form one layer on top, then transfer to the oven to brown for 20 minutes.

Turn the heat down to 170C (150C fan)/300F/gas 2. Remove the casserole dish from the oven, and add the beef stock and the tomatoes. Stir well, cover, then return to the oven for a further hour and a half.

Remove the dish from the oven, and turn the heat up to 190C (170C fan)/375F/gas 5. Mix the thinly sliced potatoes with the butter and salt in a large bowl, and arrange on top of the beef, pressing down gently to let the lower layers submerge in the cooking liquid.

Scatter over the grated cheese and freshly ground black pepper, and return to the oven for another hour and 15 minutes, until the potatoes are golden brown and cooked through.

Let it stand for 10-15 minutes, then serve up with some greens – I like a mix of garlicky spring greens and tenderstem broccoli. Pairs well with a Bordeaux or Argentinian Malbec.

Reproduced from the Guardian online, 3 December 2021



DISBUDDED CATTLE

Following a rule change at the 2017 AGM, disbudded cows, heifers or bulls are eligible to compete in show classes for breeding cattle. Disbudded cattle may be shown at Society sales.

ON-FARM SOFTWARE

If you use an on farm cattle management software programme that can produce spreadsheet reports the office can now accept these and embed them into the Society registration software to produce your birth records and registrations. This will mean you don't have to log onto the website to do your Society registrations. Just email the Excel file to secretary@longhorncattlesociety.com

INBREEDING CO-EFFICIENT REPORT

Are you thinking of buying a new bull but you're not sure if he's too closely related to your cows? The Society can produce an inbreeding co-efficient report showing how 'inbred' calves out of your cows and by any specified bull or bulls will be. The report also gives the 'Breed Mean' so you can compare the inbreeding co-efficient of your chosen mating to that of the breed as a whole.

This is a free service, just let the office know the name of the bull or bulls and I'll do the rest.

SOCIETY SURVEY & CONTACT INFORMATION

The Society survey on the online Herdbook is live. The Society has a duty to maintain an accurate registry which can only be achieved if members keep their herd records with the Society up to date.

Please also check the contact details the Society holds for you so they are correct both online and in the printed Herdbook.



CHECK MATE

The Grassroots online Registry has launched a new feature which offers the ability to check for common ancestors in potential matings.

Called 'Check Mate' it can be found in the Manage my Animals Menu (top right of the screen)

Select any male and one of your own females Click on 'calculate' and you will be offered the four generation pedigree of the prospective offspring with common ancestors highlighted. Common ancestors who first appear in the first or second generation are in orange, in the third generation are yellow and the fourth are green.

The Society can still offer full kinship analysis, as we have always done on request, but **Check Mate** is a quick and easy way to check potential matings

YEAR LETTER

The year letter for 2022 is

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REGISTRATION FEES 2022



SEE THE PRINTED HERDBOOK FOR FULL REGISTRATION REGULATIONS, OR ASK THE OFFICE FOR A COPY IF YOU ARE UNSURE

From **1 January 2021** the following fees apply

Female registrations

Online reg up to 3 months	£20.00 + VAT	£24.00
Paper reg up to 3 months	£25.00 + VAT	£30.00
Late reg 3-12m	£40.00 + VAT	£48.00
Late reg 12-24m	£80.00 + VAT	£96.00
Late reg 24 +m	£100.00 + VAT	£120.00

From 1st September 2021, all females over 12 months old at the date of registration will be subject to full DNA parent verification, at cost to the breeder unless:

- * The animal was already birth notified before they were 12 months old or
- * The passport shows the eartag numbers of both the sire and the dam

Male registrations

Bulls up to 500 days old	£100 plus VAT	£120.00
Bulls 501-650 days old	£150 plus VAT	£180.00
Bulls 651-800 days old	£200 plus VAT	£240.00

**Bulls over 800 days, if approved by Council,
an additional £200 plus VAT £240.00**

Birth notifications

All male calves should be birth notified to the Society. This is free at any time unless a Beef Certificate is required (see below). Birth notification keeps the dam's calving record up to date, and any male under consideration for keeping entire as a potential stockbull **MUST** be birth notified before three months of age to comply with the full registration regulations.

BEEF CERTIFICATES

Beef certificates are £6. They are proof that your finishing animal is a pure-bred Longhorn should you need to offer such proof to a butcher, finisher, meat marketing scheme or restaurant. You can buy them when you notify your male calves by clicking on the 'with beef cert' option or if you decide you need one when your animal is finished then just contact the office.



TYPE CLASSIFICATION

In common with many other breeds the Longhorn Cattle Society offers Type Classification to its members.

Longhorn breeders have made huge strides in the last 20 or so years to improve their cattle through careful and selective breeding. Type classification provides an independent assessment of members' cattle in order to identify strengths and weaknesses within the herd and speed up breed improvement.

Type classification is also an excellent independent guide for new members who will be able to select cattle that have been assessed when establishing a herd if they wish.

Cattle are assessed by classifiers from NBDC who have been specially trained to classify beef cattle. Assessed on 14 different linear traits that make up four composite traits, a final score results in a grade from 'poor' to 'excellent'.

This grade is then appended to the animal's pedigree so anyone can see how an animal has been independently assessed. As the scheme develops multiple generations of cattle will be inspected and the results will inform members which cattle they should retain in their herd to improve the quality of both their herd and the national population.

The breeders that have had their animals classified so far have all reported that the process has been straightforward and very positive. These members, and a list of the cattle that have graded VG (Very Good) and EX (Excellent) are in the Knowledge-base on the website.

If you think this is something you would like to participate in please contact the office for more information or go to the link below. If you'd like to talk to a member who has had their cattle classified please contact any of the members listed in the link.

The current booklet is in the Knowledge-base of the website or call the office for a copy.

<https://www.longhorncattlesociety.com/knowledge-base/article/type-classification/>

REGIONAL GROUPS



The regional groups operate independently of the Society and organise herd visits, social events and herd competitions. Enthusiastic group members are always welcome. Do get in touch with your local breeders group co-ordinator and get involved in group activities

Northern Longhorn Breeders Group

For details of Group activities

**Contact: Graham Walker, Newton Farm Cottage, Huby, York, YO61 1HQ
Tel: 07957 208021
Email: walkergraham93@gmail.com**

Mid West Longhorn Breeders Group

For details of Group activities

**Contact: Peter Guest, Colaba Lodge, Hamnish, Leominster, Herefordshire HR6 0QN Tel: 01568 760251.
Email: colabalonghorns@aol.com**

Midland Longhorn Breeders Group

For details of Group activities

**Contact: Claire Saxby, Lower AnchorFarm, Litton, Buxton, Derbys, SK17 8RN Tel: 07779 246793
email: clairesaxby775@icloud.com**

Welsh Longhorn Breeders Group

For details of Group activities

**Contact: Bernard Llewellyn, Carreg Cennen Castle, Trapp, Llandeilo, Dyfed, SA19 6UA Tel: 01558 822291
E: bernard@carregcennencastle.com**

South East Breeders Group

Matt Horne is investigated re-establishing the South East Group. For more info: math.horne@gmail.com

MERCHANDISE

The Society offers a comprehensive range of merchandise. Ties, caps and mugs are available from the office, clothing such as hoodies, polo shirts, sweatshirts etc are available to order with a two - three week lead time. Items of clothing have the Society logo and can have your herd name embroidered on them.

The full range and the order form are in the 'Knowledgebase' section of the Society website or from the office.



FEMALES FOR SALE

Please check the website for up-to-date listings of cattle for sale, photos and extra information

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**Harry Hodgson, Piercebridge Farm,
Piercebridge, Darlington, Co Durham,
DL2 3SE
Tel: 01325 374251
Mobile: 0771 827 8838
Email: admin@piercebridgefarm.co.uk**

**Mr M Cornes, Checkley Hall, Checkley,
Nantwich, Cheshire, CW5 7QA
Tel: 01270 520007
Mobile: 07970 510157
Email: mattcornes@googlemail.com**

HAROLD HERD FEMALES

A selection of females available from the Harold Herd. The herd has won many awards in the Northern Longhorn breeders competition including best large Herd. For pictures or more information please call Harry.

CHECKLEY HERD

The Checkley herd of Longhorn cattle is for sale due to other commitments on the farm. An ideal herd for anyone looking to start in Longhorns

**Messrs David & Harry Sargeant,
St Osyth Priory, St Osyth, Essex,
CO16 8NZ
Tel: 07497746828
Email:
faye.barson@cityandcountry.co.uk**

**Emma Baxter, Ecroyd Park, Bredenhill,
Hereford, HR4 7EL
Tel: 01432 769027
Mobile: 07476 363298
Email: emmalbaxter@hotmail.co.uk**

ST OSYTH HERD FEMALES

The St Osyth Priory herd has a number of cows with calves at foot for sale. The herd is in a 4 year TB area and a member of the HiHealth Herd Scheme achieving elite status accredited free of Johnes, Lepto, IBR and BVD

WOOLHOPE SIENNA 32739/S00855

Born: 15/02/2018

Sire: Carreg Psynergy 29850/P00149

Dam: Woolhope Patina 28252/P00855

Sienna has not yet had a calf as her owner doesn't have a bull. She cycles perfectly though and is easy to track. She is kind, gentle and easy to look after, following routines and quiet for TB tests etc

BULLS FOR SALE

Please check the website for up-to-date listings of cattle for sale, photos and extra information

Mr P Close, Fishwick Mains, Fishwick, Berwick on Tweed, TD15 1XQ

Tel: 01289 386181, 07779 937217

Email: peterclose@hotmail.com

Six registered bulls all sired by Heronbrook Ned Kelly 26635/N00843

Sire: Aberdeen Jethro 21117/J0845

Dam: Heronbrook Kitty 20008/K0843

Fishwick Undaunted 37205/U00087

Born: 08/03/2020

Dam: Fishwick Olwen 26916/O00087

Fishwick Ultrasonic 37206/U00087

Born: 11/03/2020

Dam: Wellhead Quicksilver 29583/Q00268

Fishwick Undivided 37207/U00087

Born 12/03/2020

Dam: Croc Mhor Ladybird 26080/L00067

Fishwick Utmost 37208/U00087

Born 21/03/2020

Dam: Croc Mhor Marigold 26085/M00067

Fishwick Universe 37209/U00087

Born 22/03/2020

Dam: Fishwick Paloma 29076/P00087

Fishwick Unbowed 37210/U00087

Born 25/03/2020

Dam: Fishwick Opium 27432/O00087

Bertie Facon, Lessor Farm, Milcombe, Banbury, Oxon, OX15 4RT

Tel: 07785 221961 (Bertie) or 07710 054792 (Ben)

Email: Gentons.longhorns@gmail.com

GENTONS UMBRO 37379/U01168

Born: 04/04/2020

Sire: Riverlands Ratty 32442/R00946

Dam: Blackbrook Vole EX92 21552/L0380

Member of the SAC Premium Cattle Health Scheme.

BULLS FOR SALE



Please check the website for up-to-date listings of cattle for sale, photos and extra information

Mr P Wild, Middle Fullwood Farm, Shaw, Oldham, Lancashire, OL2 8QH

Tel: 07789 292060

Email: peter.wild@live.co.uk

FULLWOOD USHER 37314/U01147

Born: 26/01/2020

Sire: Fishwick Oberon 28384/O00087

Dam: Heronbrook Jayde 18577/J0843

Bull will be fully health tested and semen tested

Mr P Grabham, Watton Farm, Halberton, Tiverton, Devon, EX16 7AN

01884 820330, 07875 464424

wattonfarm@gmail.com

HAMBLETON LENNY 23492/M0781

Born 07/04/2011

Sire: Blackbrook Pilot 14176/F0380

Dam: Linton Ellen 12140/E0112

Only for sale as there are too many of his daughters in the herd.

Earl de la Warr, Buckhurst Park, Withyham, East Sussex, TN7 4BL

Tel: 01892 770220

Email: office@buckhurstpark.co.uk

BUCKHURST THOMAS 36466/T01329

Born: 22/02/2019

Sire: Harrow Quercus 31037/Q01317

Dam: Gorse Rosa EX92 20114/K0033

Gorse Rosa, sold for breed record price of 12000gns for a cow sold at auction in 2018



BULLS FOR HIRE

*Stan Dixon, Tucks Cottage, Blunsdon,
Swindon, Wiltshire, SN25 5DL
Tel: 01793 722353
Email: standixon@hotmail.co.uk
LEEBARN KESTRAL 22583/K0053*

*Tom Taberner, 86 Britannia Drive,
Stretton, Burton on Trent, Staffs, DE13 0FB
Tel: 07762 586916
Email: tommytab@btinternet.com
WELLHEAD Q-LLINAN 31654/Q00268
HENNISFIELD FEARLESS 27669/N01041
HENNISFIELD JUPITER 34236/R01041*

EQUIPMENT WANTED

Cattle crushes wanted

Two members are looking for cattle crushes suitable for Longhorns:

Mr P Greenhalgh, Haslingden, Lancs
07977 493095

Mr R Crooks, Ringwood, Hants,
07914 805831

CATTLE WANTED

*Ben and Tori Stanley, Derbyshire, DE73 8AB
Mobile: 0788 4112812,
Email: info@toriandbensfarm.co.uk
Steers and heifers wanted for finishing*

*Mr G Gilder, Cheltenham, Glos, GL51 9TF
Tel: 01242 680279
Email: graham.gilder@btconnect.com
Longhorns required, all types considered.*

*Mike & Yvonne Smith, Ashbourne, Derbyshire, DE6
5JF Mobile: 07860 467877
Email: michael@hennisfieldfarm.co.uk
Finished cattle and strong stores wanted.*

CATTLE WANTED

*Tom Mowles, Nailsworth, Glos, GL6 0SJ
Tel: 07545 562984
Email: tom.mowles@mowlesfarms.co.uk
Yearling and two year old steers and heifers
wanted for finishing.*

*Mr R Daubney, Catworth, Huntingdon, Cambs,
PE28 0DP
Mobile: 07711 900073
Email: chestnutfarm84@gmail.com
Store steers from TB4 areas required*

*Bertie Facon, Lessor Farm, Milcombe,
Banbury, Oxon, OX15 4RT
Tel: 07785 221961 (Bertie) or 07710 054792
(Ben)
Email: Gentons.longhorns@gmail.com*

WANTED – MATURE BEST OF BREED COWS

The Gentons Herd firmly believe in the benefit of mixing bloods from various bloodlines and has for the last 6 years acquired exceptional animals from a wide range of herds.

To continue on this path, the Gentons herd is looking for “Best of Breed” older cows for flushing for embryos both to increase the genetic pool of the Gentons herd and for export.

This is an opportunity for Longhorn breeders to get a premium on slaughter prices and a way to extend the life of their favourite cows. A calf at foot would also be considered.

Animals from High Health herds would be preferred but non-CHeCS animals would be considered as we have a separate isolation CPH for those animals not meeting our health standard.

A good calving history is essential!!

**DON'T KILL YOUR FAVOURITE COWS
WITHOUT TALKING TO US FIRST**

SEMEN FOR SALE



The following bulls are available from the Society:

Cosby Archer, Fishwick Oarsman, Honeywood Callicles, Leebarn Isambard, Long Ash Lancelot, Plaitford Orlando, Rousham Monty, Shugborough Benbow, Tregonhayne Startrek

Eyebrook Richard, royalty of £200 payable on bulls registered
Grove House Baron, royalty of £200 payable on bulls registered
Honeywood Edmund, royalty of £200 payable on bulls registered
Llanthrothy Kestrel, royalty of £100 payable on bulls registered
Rousham Goliath, royalty of £200 payable on bulls registered

The following bulls are available direct from the breeders

Fishwick Lord of the Rings 23577/L00087, (Peter Close 07779 937217)
Royalty of £200 payable on bulls registered.

Riverlands Ratty 32442/R00946 (Bertie Facon, 07785 221961 or
Ben Bellew 07710 054792)

The following bulls are available from AI companies

Cogent www.cogentuk.com

Blackbrook Touchstone 19955/J00380

Royalty of £100 per heifer calves registered, £200 on bulls registered.

Genus: www.genusbreeding.co.uk

Carreg Sainfoin 33852/S00149 & Carreg Superman 33853/S00149

Norbreck Genetics: www.norbreckgenetics.com

Pointer Evening All 33903/S01244.

Royalty of £30 payable on both heifer calves and bulls registered

Riverlands Rarebit 32443/R00946

Semex: www.semex.co.uk

Gupworthy Onzlo 28002/O00873

UK Sires www.uksiresdirect.com

Heronbrook Poseidon 32557/R00843, Riverlands Ratty 32442/R00946

Trelawny Icarus 18141/I0870

SOUTHFIELD LONGHORNS



Zara



Harry



Clark



Billy

**D&A Blockley, Southfield Farm, Fieldhead Lane, Drighlington,
Bradford, West Yorkshire, BD11 1JL
07831 857736, david @davidblockley.co.uk**

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The Fishwick 2021 Top Stars



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Senior Sire at Fishwick
2020-2021-2022-2023



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Breed Champion 2021
Great Yorkshire Show

**John Close & Son Ltd, Fishwick Mains,
Berwickshire, Scottish Borders TD15 1XQ
Peter: 0777 993 7217 Rob: 07702 317 303
Email: peterclose@hotmail.com**