

# LONGHORN CATTLE SOCIETY

## AGM Weekend 1-3 November 2013

### Cambridgeshire

*This year we are staying at the Holiday Inn, Cambridge and our visits are to Stephen and Maggie Wright's Brookfield herd and to the National Stud, Newmarket.*

*The Hotel is only four miles from the centre of Cambridge so is within easy reach of this historic town.*

#### Itinerary

#### **FRIDAY 1 NOVEMBER**

Arrive at Hotel. Guests to make their own arrangements for dinner tonight.

Contact details for the Hotel are:

Holiday Inn, Bridge Road, Impington, Cambridgeshire, CB24 9PH

#### **SATURDAY 2 NOVEMBER**

**10.00am**

**Visit to Stephen and Maggie Wright's Brookfield Herd, Cuckoo Hill Farm, Cottenham, Cambridge, CB24 8TW**

Stephen started farming full time in 1977 having previously farmed part-time and also worked as a Cambridge University technician. He is a 1st generation farmer and has built up a successful business over the years by combining entrepreneurial skills with a knack of seeing a good opportunity

The business, jointly run with son Daniel, consists a number of enterprises. 740 ac grass, both rented and owned are grazed and conserved, including a redundant WW2 airfield and the Commons in the middle of Cambridge. 2500ac of straw are baled which is sold back into livestock industry. A contracting business based around livestock contracting (hay & silage making) rather than arable is run, as is an amenity contracting business doing grass cutting and grounds maintenance for local councils and commercial blue chip companies. A farm shop in the process of being built and there is also a livery stables enterprise.

Stephen joined the Longhorn Cattle Society in 2004 but had already kept Longhorns for a few years prior to that. He has a substantial herd and the aim by end of next year is to get up to 200 cows. Cattle are sold as stores, finished in beef boxes and sold to local butcher. Some heifers are killed, other females are sold as breeding stock. There are also 340 ewes, and a small herd of Belted Galloways.

For those of you not involved in the AGM itself Cuckoo Hill Farm is very close to the Longstanton Busway Park & Ride for easy access to Cambridge. Parking is free and it takes less than 30 minutes to get into the centre of Cambridge for around £4 return.

**1.00pm** Hog roast lunch at Cuckoo Hill Farm, followed by

**2.30pm** **AGM**, including the presentation of the Bull of the Year Award, Cow of the Year Award, Presidents' Award, Paul Luckett Novices Award, The Junior Handlers Award.

**7.00pm for 7.30pm** Evening dinner at the Holiday Inn. Auction of Promises to follow.

#### **SUNDAY 3 NOVEMBER**

**10.15 for 10.30**

**Visit to the National Stud, Newmarket**

As a change from visiting a second Longhorn herd as we normally do on an AGM weekend, this year we are taking advantage of being in the heart of bloodstock country and visiting the National Stud at Newmarket which is only a few miles from the Hotel.

The National Stud was founded in 1916 when Lord Wavertree (also known as Colonel William Hall Walker) donated his stud farm and bloodstock to the British Government. The National Stud was bought from the Levy Board by The Jockey Club in 2008 and is now a private company. The Stud maintains a strong commitment to the Thoroughbred breeding industry both commercially and through the continued provision of education and training to students and the general public. Whilst we will be going out of season so there won't be many mares & foals to see, the standing stallions, yearlings and facilities will be available.

Have a look at the website <http://www.nationalstud.co.uk/>

The tour lasts approximately 90 minutes, is on foot and by coach and there is a restaurant where we will have lunch after the tour. Tour fees are £7.20 per adult, £5.40 for concessions plus £15 for lunch.

**Please indicate on the booking form if you wish to attend the Stud visit as this will be invoiced separately nearer the time.**

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Cattle Society

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 AGM Weekend  
 1 - 3 November 2013  
 Cambridge

**Booking Form**  
**Please return this form to the Secretary by Friday 27 September 2013**

I/we..... Herd No.....

- Send our apologies
- Plan to visit the National Stud at Newmarket on Sunday and
- Plan to come to the AGM Weekend and wish to book

**Meals & accommodation (all prices include VAT)**

Full weekend (Friday night room; Saturday breakfast, lunch, dinner, room; Sunday breakfast)  
 twin/double room (Please state)      £275/room      No. rooms.....      £.....

Full weekend (Friday night room; Saturday breakfast, lunch, dinner, room; Sunday breakfast)  
 single occupancy room.      £230/room      No. rooms.....      £.....

Friday 24hr (Friday night room, Saturday breakfast & lunch)  
 double/twin room (Please state)      £115/room      No. rooms.....      £.....

Friday 24hr (Friday night room, Saturday breakfast & lunch)  
 single occupancy room.      £100/room      No. rooms.....      £.....

Saturday 24hr (Saturday lunch, dinner, room; Sunday breakfast)  
 twin/double room (Please state)      £175/ room      No. rooms.....      £.....

Saturday 24hr (Saturday lunch, dinner, room, Sunday breakfast)  
 single occupancy room.      £135/room      No. rooms.....      £.....

**Meals only, no accommodation (all prices include VAT)**

Saturday: Hog roast lunch at Cuckoo Hill Farm      No. of meals....

Saturday: 3 course evening dinner at Holiday Inn @ £25.00 pp      No. of meals.....      £.....

I enclose a cheque for      £.....  
 Please makes cheques payable to 'The Longhorn Cattle Society'

Return to 3 Eastgate, Stoneleigh Park, Stoneleigh, Warks, CV8 2LG  
 Fax 0845 017 1027; Email secretary@longhorncattlesociety.com

*If I haven't covered what you require then please get in touch and I'll work out the rate for you.*