

LONGHORN

Cattle Society

Longhorn Cattle Society AGM weekend

7 and 8 October 2023, Yorkshire

This year the AGM weekend heads for Yorkshire with two superb herd visits alongside the AGM and the usual chance to catch up with fellow members.

**PLEASE RESPECT ANY BIOSECURITY ARRANGEMENTS OUR HOSTS PUT IN PLACE,
AND ANY COVID-19 REQUIREMENTS REQUESTED BY THE HOTEL**

FRIDAY 6 OCTOBER

Members staying tonight - arrive at the Burn Hall Hotel, Tollerton Road, Huby, York YO61 1JB [///plodding.wobbles.limo](#)

Dinner is available at the Hotel, it is advised that you book a table in advance 01347 825400

It is 3 miles/5 minutes from the Hotel to Longbridge Longhorns, and 45 miles/1 hour from the hotel to Southfield Longhorns

SATURDAY 7 OCTOBER

10.00 for a prompt 10.30 start. Jane Grant and Trish McDonnell, Longbridge Longhorns, The Hollies, York Road, Easingwold, York, YO61 3PG [///flagpole.motive.soaps](#)

Members of the Longhorn Society since 2011 when they bought 11 cows from the Yorks Rare Breeds Sale, Jane and Trish have since added to the herd both through buying in and breeding their own replacements. The herd now totals around 55 cows and followers. Housed in winter, the cows run in batches. These batches are retained at grass with two stock bulls currently out working; Blackbrook Alchemist and Gupworthy Thruxton. This year's bulling heifers are now stepping out with a very smart young bull Blackbrook Fireball. Jane and Trish had never shown cattle until a timely visit from Angela and David Blockley one Sunday back in 2021 convinced them otherwise! Angela especially was encouraging and insisted they had some very nice stock worthy of the show ring and they are now starting to have some notable successes, especially this year with breed championships at Nottinghamshire, Garstang and Halifax shows.

The Longbridge herd vet Leanne Forde-Archer will be in attendance and will give a short talk on what preparations you should make for bringing your cattle in for the winter and the first few weeks after housing.

We will then have a tour of the cows and youngstock and the extensive facilities including a state of the art handling system as well as the chance to test your skills with a 'guess the weight of the cow' competition. There will be a modest entry fee with all the fees going to charity.

12.30pm Lunch at Burn Hall Hotel, Burn Hall Hotel, Tollerton Road, Huby, York YO61 1JB

2pm - Longhorn Cattle Society AGM. Burn Hall Hotel, Tollerton Road, Huby, York YO61 1JB

After the AGM will be the presentation of the Bull of the Year, Cow of the Year, Senior Heifer of the Year and Junior Heifer of the Year Awards, the Paul Lockett Novices Award and the Junior Handlers Award

After the AGM members are invited to return to Longbridge Longhorns if they wish, to have another look at the cattle

7.00pm for 7.30pm Evening meal at Burn Hall Hotel, Tollerton Road, Huby, York YO61 1JB Dress code smart casual. We will be joined by Neil Shand, Chief Executive of the NBA who will give us an informative, lighthearted talk about 'The Beef Industry'. Neil is an engaging and thought provoking speaker who is not to be missed!

SUNDAY 8 OCTOBER

10.30 for a prompt 11.00 start. The Blockley family, Southfield Farm, Fieldhead Lane, Drighlington, Bradford, West Yorkshire, BD11 1JL [///actors.leaves.dizzy](#)

David and Angela Blockley bought their first Longhorns and joined the Society in 1991. In 1995 they purchased eight females from the Whatton/Fishwick production sale and also the whole Lupat herd from Bill and Helen Lupton.

Over the years the herd has had multiple successes in the show and sale ring, with many breed and interbreed championship and record prices at Society sales.

David is President of the Society in 2023 and 2024. Sadly Angela passed away in June last year, but David continues with the Southfield herd and their grandchildren are involved in the breed with their own herds.

We will have a tour of the herd, after which the family invite you to stay for lunch before heading home.