

**Royal Welsh Show
22 July 2013**

Judge: Peter Close

Having attended the Royal Welsh last year as an exhibitor it was great to be back at this wonderful show with the same glorious weather that we experienced in the only realistic week of 2012's "summer"! With only two bulls entered Carreg King's power took him forward over the yearling Gupworthy Merlin, who had developed well and filled out since the National Show a month earlier.

The cow class was close run with the five year old Carreg Idlenot exhibiting more body and in particular greater thickness over the fore-ribs and deeper fleshing down her quarters than the four year old Tudor Rose Jewel who, I am sure, will fill out as she matures. Likewise Gupworthy Juliet will benefit from a kinder winter.

In the senior heifer class powerfully impressive Treverton Liberty couldn't be overlooked despite the presence of two well presented heifers - Stanthorne Leila with a better top-line than the first heifer but perhaps needing a bit more work on striding out to show her potential and Gupworthy Linda being less evenly fleshed over the shoulders than the second heifer.

In the junior heifer class, believing her to be June born, Stanthorne Molly, despite needing to fill out down her quarters, was placed 1st ahead of the two Carreg heifers that have had such a successful showing season. Gupworthy Mistress, like the first heifer, should mature into a powerful contender as a senior heifer.

The Female Championship saw the Carreg Idlenot go through with the better top-line and thicker fleshing ahead of Treverton Liberty, whose sheer power and length took her through as reserve ahead of the lovely young cow Tudor Rose Jewel; David Bevan's heifer did indeed look splendid in the interbreed Heifer class! For Champion - Carreg King, although to some extent in his working clothes, stood up ahead of Carreg Idlenot - this probably the hardest decision of the day!

Bull, any age

4 entries/2 forward

1st Carreg King Mr & Mrs B&M Llewellyn
2nd Gupworthy Merlin Mr & Mrs G Woollatt

Cow

3 entries/3 forward

1st Carreg Idlenot Mr & Mrs B&M Llewellyn
2nd Tudor Rose Jewel Messrs Lea-Jones & Bardsley
3rd Gupworthy Juliet II Mr & Mrs G Woollatt

Senior Heifer

3 entries/3 forward

1st Treverton Liberty Mr D Bevan
2nd Stanthorne Leila Messrs Lea-Jones & Bardsley
3rd Gupworthy Linda Mr & Mrs G Woollatt

Junior Heifer

4 entries/4 forward

1st Stanthorne Molly Messrs Lea-Jones & Bardsley
2nd Carreg Martha Mr & Mrs B&M Llewellyn
3rd Carreg Money Mr & Mrs B&M Llewellyn
4th Gupworthy Mistress Mr & Mrs G Woollatt

Breed & Male Champion

Female Champion
Reserve Male Champion
Reserve Female Champion
Best Junior Heifer
Best Junior Bull

Carreg King

Carreg Idlenot
Gupworthy Merlin
Treverton Liberty
Stanthorne Molly
Gupworthy Merlin